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## Comment Of The Day

### More Schools

ONLY a month ago the Director of Education, the Hon. D. J. S. Crozier sounded a somewhat despondent note when he said that "when we shall be able to sit back with complacency and feel that we have conquered the problem of numbers in our schools." Hongkong was planning for something like 33,000 new primary places a year and the prospect of accommodating the Colony's vast school-age population which is being annually increased by a galloping birth rate (now in excess of 95,000 a year) and refugee children from China, was indeed gloomy. Now comes cheering news from the Education Department of plans to make 90,000 new places available by next September and with it the statement that "we are catching up with the education backlog." This is a remarkable achievement and the Department deserves much credit. For the creation of so many new places involves not only the acceleration of the school building programme but the provision of more trained teachers to staff these schools.

**Packing Them In**  
HONGKONG now has a school population of 400,000 which is double the figure five years ago. We are in the familiar idiom, packing them in. Like everything else in Hongkong, the hospitals, the prisons, the refugee centres—our schools are crowded. We have many imposing structures but it is a sobering thought that of all the teachers in them only 40 per cent are trained. Again the accent of education in Hongkong is heavily on the side of primary schools.

It will appear wrong to many who have enjoyed a full education in other parts of the world that there are something like four primary schools to every one secondary and that thousands of our children will never go further than "prep." Nor is the division of school time into morning and afternoon sessions conducive to sound education: our policy is indeed one that would amaze and disturb educationalists unfamiliar with the conditions of the East. But if a policy of "pack and cram" is distasteful there are many arguments in its favour. Our schools plan is essentially one that is designed to cope with an emergency, and the Colony's need is to work on basic minimum education for as many as possible. The Department's aim is to provide it for all. And the fact that many thousands of children who are at present receiving no schooling at all will be able to start next year is a measure of our progress. There may be opportunity later to iron out the worst faults of the system.

## Outery Over Child Bride

A Member of Parliament urged tonight that a 14-year-old American child bride should be made to leave England because her marriage will "offend public feelings."

The statement by Labour M.P. Marcus Lipton climaxed an upsurge that began two days ago when Mrs. Barbara Scruggs of White Plains, Virginia, flew into London to join her miller husband, Norman (Bill) Scruggs, 21, of St. Mary's, Georgia.

The youthful couple became engaged in a storm of criticism and publicity almost from the moment the child bride began looking for her husband at the

airport. They were reunited later at a friend's apartment. The couple visited U.S. Navy headquarters in London today after Lipton's statement. A naval spokesman said later no conclusive agreement on the Scruggs status in Britain was reached.

"The whole thing is being delayed until tomorrow when they can get together to decide what is the legal status of the marriage," the spokesman said. The Scruggs said their new marriages under 16 were illegal in Britain and that there was a great deal of feeling in the country about child brides. They were married last September in North Carolina. Lipton called the marriage a "disgrace" and said he would question Home Secretary R. A. Butler in Parliament about it on Thursday.—U.P.I.

# ANOTHER RESOUNDING DEFEAT FOR FRENCH COMMUNISTS GAULLISTS' AMAZING VICTORY

## Win Overwhelming Control Of National Assembly

Paris, Dec. 1.

Pro-Gaullist parties won overwhelming control of the French National Assembly today and reduced the once powerful Communist parliamentary voice to a whisper.

Results in the run-off election for the Assembly made the new Gaullist Union for a Free Republic (UNR) party the largest party in the first assembly of the new Fifth Republic and gave Premier Charles de Gaulle a massive majority.

## Heavy Voting In Algeria

Alger, Nov. 30. Early partial results from five of the 18 Algerian constituencies tonight indicated an exceptionally heavy poll in certain areas where the insurgents' grip is considered broken.

At Tiarret, there was an 88 per cent poll. In this constituency there is only a single list of candidates backed by M. Jacques Soustelle, the U.N.R. leader. But electors who did not wish to vote for it could use blank ballot papers. Out of 46,000 voters there were 242 blank papers.

### PERSONALITIES

Some other areas had a percentage poll ranging between 60 and 70 per cent, but on the whole the strength of the vote was expected to be below that of the constitutional referendum on September 28 when the figure was 80 per cent.

These early results showed that personalities played a large part in the electors' choice. In the Algiers suburbs a very moderate list of candidates, including the Moslem feminist Madame Sid Cara, was well in the lead against Public Safety Committee opposition.

In Constantine, where the insurgents' influence is still strong, the Public Safety Committee list was leading another list backed by M. Soustelle.

With votes counted in areas comprising an electorate of 600,000 people of 15 per cent of the electorate, the poll was at all had come from eight constituencies. The final results for Algeria are not expected until late tomorrow or on Tuesday.

By midnight GMT no complete results had been given for any constituency and no result at all had come from eight constituencies. The final results for Algeria are not expected until late tomorrow or on Tuesday.

In Algiers the "French Algeria" list of candidates headed by M. Pierre Lagallarde, the most extreme "integrationist" list in the elections, took an early lead.—Reuter.

### Coalition

With all of the 495 seats from Metropolitan France decided, the UNR had 198 to 120 for the pro-Gaullist right-wing. Independents and 44 for the Catholic Popular Republicans (MRP). The Communists, who held 150 seats in the old assembly, won only 10. The Socialists won 40 and the Radicals 13. The rest were scattered among splinter parties.

The pro-Gaullists also were expected to sweep most of the 10 seats from Overseas Territories and the 71 from Algeria and the Sahara.

Roger Duchet, Secretary-General of the Independents, confirmed that his party was ready to join the UNR in the next government. This combination, joined by the seats from Algeria and Overseas Territories, was expected to muster an overwhelming voting combine of nearly 400 seats in the Assembly.

### Younger Men

The Interior Minister, Emile Pelletier, claimed the results showed the electorate also voted against the leaders of the Fourth Republic, which staggered through 14 years and finally collapsed over the Algerian crisis. M. Pelletier said only 140 former deputies of the Fourth Republic were re-elected. He said 338 were beaten and 58 did not run for re-election. The character of the new assembly will be new, with younger men, M. Pelletier said.

The Communists were bitter about their defeat. The Party's official organ Humanite complained that the new electoral reforms enforced by the de Gaulle Government ruined them.

The reforms, which called for the two-round ballot system, were designed especially to reduce the power of the Communist Party in Parliament. It cut the significance of the popular vote and enabled anti-Communist parties to gang up on the Reds in individual contests.

De Gaulle was expected to have a working majority of 350 seats in the 546-seat National Assembly, including 70 Rightist deputies from Algeria.

## THREE VOTES FOR B.B.

Paris, Nov. 30. Three write-in votes for film star Brigitte Bardot turned up for day in the ballot count at Alps d'Haute. In the 18th Department.

Since Miss Bardot had not officially entered as a candidate, the 100,000 franc deposit, the votes were declared invalid.

★ Voters in the town of Rochefort-Ea-Yve, lines today boycotted the second round of the French legislative elections as a protest against the shutdown of a local gas plant. Out of 263 registered voters only 16 went to the polls and 14 cast ballots.—U.P.I. and France-Press.

A total vote of about twenty million in today's election for Metropolitan France was shared by the chief parties as follows: Conservatives 3,533,596 or 23.54 per cent. Gaullist UNR 3,973,420 or 26.46 per cent. MRP Catholics 1,194,148 or 7.93 per cent. Radicals and Near Radicals 2,241,813 or 15.1 per cent. Socialists 2,036,251 or 13.56 per cent. Communists 3,105,193 or 20.08 per cent. Others 827,139 or 5.09 per cent.

### First Act

The first act of the new Fifth Republic parliamentarians, after electing the National Assembly's officers from December 8-11, will be their participation in the election of the new President of the Republic on December 21.

General Charles de Gaulle is expected to stand for the presidential election—and be elected in the first ballot. He will then abandon his present duties of Prime Minister.

The President of the Republic will be elected for a seven-year term by an electoral college composed of the Members of Parliament, assemblies of the overseas territories, district councils and chosen representatives of the municipal councils more than 70,000 electors in all.—U.P.I. and Reuter.

## MOVE AGAINST THE POPPY CHEATERS

Pwllheli, Wales, Nov. 30. A campaign has begun here to ban the man who cheats on Remembrance Day by using the same red poppy emblem year after year instead of buying a new one to help disabled ex-servicemen. Campaigners and Anglican women's section of the British Legion—Ex-Servicemen's Or-

## MURDERS FOR MONEY

### Wanted To Send Mother To Dentist

Houston, Nov. 30. Narvel Moon, aged 18, explained to police here today how he went about getting some money so that his mother could go to the dentist—he shot two men and a boy beside a lonely pond yesterday.

Moon said he saw the two men and an 11-year-old boy having target practice with a revolver. After watching them for a while, he asked if he could shoot too. They gave him the gun and said he could.

After he had asked the men for their money and they had run away, he shot first the man, then the boy.

"I can't figure what happened," Moon said. "I didn't mean no harm to nobody. I just wanted a little cash so my mother could go to the dentist."—France-Press.

## BLOOD FOR \$100 IN MALAYA

Kuala Lumpur, Nov. 30. Commercial blood donors are charging up to \$(M)100 for blood to the relatives of seriously ill people, according to reports reaching hospitals here.

Hospital authorities said that appeals for blood donors were "disheartening."

Only local and British Commonwealth servicemen were regular donors. They said most local people believed it was dangerous to give blood.

But poor people were prepared to give their blood. The charge was from \$(M)50 to \$(M)80 for ordinary types and up to \$(M)100 for rare types.—China Mail Special.

## Three Killed In Train Crash

Live Oak, Fla., Nov. 30. An eastbound freight train carrying several carloads of highly inflammable liquid petroleum was derailed late on Saturday, spewing flames and hot metal over a wide area. Three persons were killed in the fiery wreck.

Fire officials said the wreckage was still burning today, some 18 hours after the crash.—U.P.I.

## Golf Holiday Ends Tomorrow

Augusta, Nov. 30. President Eisenhower will end his holiday here next Tuesday, the White House announced today, and fly back to Washington. His holiday at the Augusta National Golf Club here began on November 20.—Reuter.

### 'I WAS TIRED OF ARGUING'

Kansas City, Nov. 30. A craving for money led Lowell Lee Andrews, 18-year-old college trombone player, to kill his mother, father and sister, he told police today.

The 260-pound Kansas University sophomore, described as an above-average student, said: "I was tired of arguing with them about money, so I shot them."

Held without bond pending probable filing of first degree murder charges tomorrow, Andrews did not show remorse, detectives said. He maintained his attitude of "I'm not sorry, and I'm not glad." His only comment when skin divers searched in vain for the murder weapons he tossed into the Kansas River was, "ridiculous."

### Shot Them

Andrews, after lengthy questioning, told officers he had brooded over money matters, and had considered poisoning his family or burning the house down while they were asleep.

But on Friday afternoon, he said, he watched his father cracking walnuts and decided to shoot them. That night as they watched television, he went to his room, got a .22 calibre rifle and a .450 pistol, and began firing.—U.P.I.

## Even Russia Can Buy A Scottish Island

London, Nov. 30. It is possible for Russia or any other country to buy a Scottish island, the House of Commons learned with surprise.

Mr. John Macloy, secretary for Scotland, disclosed this in the answering questions about the control of public sale of Scottish islands and parts of islands.

Mr. Douglas Jay (Labour) asked: "Would it be possible for the Russian Army to buy a Scottish island without our having power to stop them?"

Mr. Macloy replied: "Unless it came within the official Secrets Act or something else the answer would be the surprising 'one you envisage.'—China Mail Special.

### Family Dies

Salt Lake City, Nov. 30. Four members of one family died when their light plane crashed in a Salt Lake City junkyard while they were on a pleasure flight, it was disclosed today.

Smashed wreckage of the Piper Comanche plane was discovered this morning.—U.P.I.

### Fisher's Condition

London, Nov. 30. Dr. Geoffrey Fisher, Archbishop of Canterbury, who underwent a hernia operation on Friday, has continued to make "satisfactory progress." It was announced tonight.—Reuter.

## PIRATE SUB ROAMING THE PACIFIC?

Sydney, Nov. 30.

A theory that Soviet submarines may be responsible for the disappearance of a number of vessels in the South Pacific was advanced today by the Sydney Telegraph.

Australian Naval authorities were unavailable for any immediate comment today.

In the past three years, three large vessels and a total of 79 persons have disappeared throughout the South Pacific.

### Schooner Missing

The latest is the schooner Ian Crouch with 12 passengers and crew aboard which left Hongkong for Adelaide on September 26, and has not been seen since.

The Sunday Telegraph said there is strong evidence the 300-ton patrol vessel Melanesian was destroyed by a submarine this year.

The vessel, carrying 42 passengers and crew, was reported missing in the Solomon Islands on July 10.

Four days later an unidentified submarine was seen in Kaukau Bay, Guadalcanal, Solomons.

When an inquiry commission was held, planter J. L. Smith, who served in the coastal command during World War Two, said he saw a submarine in the area before the vessel was reported missing.

### 'Big Cannons'

Two Solomon Islanders said they heard noises like "big cannons" two days after the Melanesian was last seen. Search craft found a table from the vessel, apparently damaged in an explosion.

The Sunday Telegraph said "the vessel might have unwittingly entered waters where Soviet submarines were experimenting with latest devices. Soviet naval officers could have considered the passengers and crew saw too much and disposed of the unwanted witnesses."

Russian submarines may also have been responsible for the disappearance of the 70-ton trading vessel Jovik, which was missing on October 3 to November 10, 1955, between Samoa

and the Tokelau Islands. Search vessels found her floating, abandoned and waterlogged, with 26 crew and passengers missing.

The Sunday Telegraph concluded that many Pacific Sea captains are "feeling uneasy" about the increased reports of unidentified submarines operating in the South Pacific area.—U.P.I.

## Rifles Found On Ship Being Scrapped

Three rifles have been recovered from a ship which is being dismantled for scrap in Rowland Bay. The arms, found in the ship's storeroom by workmen on Saturday afternoon, consist of two Winchester 7.62 mm. rifles and one .384 calibre rifle. The rifles are believed to be part of the ship's armory. Police enquiries are continuing.

### 'Hot Air'

Washington, Nov. 30. American officials today dismissed as sheer propaganda Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev's cocktail party remarks urging a Big Power "round table" conference on Berlin.—U.P.I.

### Jewel Theft

Cash and jewellery to the total value of \$484 were stolen from No. 14, Yuk Ming Street, first floor, Western district on Saturday afternoon.

### Camera Lost

A camera, valued at \$500, was stolen from a private car parked outside the Shamrock Hotel, Nathan Road last night.

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# Insecticide Latest Theory In Cancer Probe

## BIG INCREASE OF ARSENIC IN U.S. SMOKES

New York, Nov. 30. The quantity of arsenic—a possible cause of cancer—in American cigarettes has increased by between 200 and 600 per cent over the last 25 years the United States Anti-Cancer Society announced today.

In a report published in today's issue of "Cancer," the society's magazine, research workers found the average quantity of arsenic in five popular non-filter brands to be 45 microgrammes.

## Top Thugs Matted In Juke Box Inquiry

Washington, Nov. 30.

Senate racket investigators announced today they had subpoenaed about 100 witnesses, including some of America's top hoodlums, for questioning about gangland infiltration of the lucrative coin-operated machine business.

Subcommittee chairman John McClellan (Democrat-Arkansas) said the new hearings, scheduled to open on Thursday, will centre on activities in at least seven States.

He said they will cover "the extent of racketeer inroads into both labour unions and management in this field."

McClellan said the initial testimony at least will concern New York, Florida, Michigan, Illinois, Ohio, California and Indiana. Other witnesses have been subpoenaed from Colorado, Rhode Island, New Jersey and Louisiana.

Included in their ranks will be some of the participants in the widely publicized gangland meeting at Apalachin, New York, on Nov. 14, 1957, which was broken up by police.

## "Enforcement Arm"

"The focal point in the investigation," McClellan said, "will be an attempt to determine whether or not labour unions in this field have been formed for legitimate union aims or whether they have been formed as an adjunct to, and enforcement arm, for management, acting in collusion to allegedly monopolize the industry."

The Senator, who estimated the hearings would run about four weeks, said they were the result of more than a year's work by sub-committee investigators.

He said there are more than a half million juke boxes in commercial operation in the U.S. today. In addition to these and other coin-operated amusement devices, he said the industry distributes more than two billion dollars worth of goods and services annually.

Some of this stays in the smoke, some in the ash and some in the butt, but 4.05 microgrammes of arsenic dioxide go into the smoker's lungs.

Filters remove about 1.5 microgrammes, which still leaves a quantity above the "danger" level—three microgrammes—the report reveals.

The research was carried out by scientists of the Veterans Administration and by Texas University, financed by the society.

## Insect Sprays

The increased arsenic in tobacco is thought to come from insecticide sprays.

The rise in cancer deaths during the period of increased arsenic content in cigarettes "suggests a cause and effect relationship," the report says.

Two unnamed Turkish cigarette brands showed a 60 per cent less arsenic content than the five American brands.

The report concludes that a cigarette-smoker relationship is "eminently suggestible" but that this is only an hypothesis which requires further experimental and clinical study.—France-Press.

## A-Powered Plane Being Developed

Chattanooga, Nov. 30.

Work is now going on here on nuclear-powered bomber engines, a research official at a General Electric Company plant disclosed tonight.

Mr D. R. Shoultz, an aviation engineer with the company's Evendale plant here, said the device now under development used what engineers described as a "direct air cycle" nuclear power plant.

The direct air engine, the same as used in the Russian plane which the magazine Aviation Week reported yesterday was now being flight tested, was one of the simplest of atom-power devices and had been proved to be workable.

In this system, air was heated directly in the atom reactor in order to eliminate loss of heat.—Reuter.



## Actresses Chat After Play

## MEN WALK 900 M. TO FLEE LEGION

Rome, Nov. 30. Four young Italians walked for 40 days across the desert and mountains of western Algeria in an attempt—successful for three of them and probably fatal for the fourth—to escape from the French Foreign Legion.

Santino Ferrari, 21, said in Borgoscica, Northern Italy today that he and two friends, Vittorio Botto and Bruno Cavanara, whom he met in a Legion outpost in Algeria, decided to desert.

A fourth Italian in their company, whose name Ferrari refused to reveal, joined them.

They slipped out of the post one night and began the long trek westwards, walking at night and hiding during the day.

"We knew that if the French caught us we would be shot as deserters, and if the Algerian rebels caught us we would be shot as enemies," Ferrari told reporters today.

## "Agony"

"In all we covered about 1,500 kilometres (about 936 miles)—1,500 kilometres of agony," he added.

They finally crossed the frontier into Morocco and were obliged to return to Italy by the Italian Consul at Rabat.

Ferrari said he joined the Legion "in search of adventure."

The unnamed fourth member of the party failed to escape.

One day when it was his turn to leave the group's daylight hideout to look for water and food, his three friends heard a burst of machine-gun fire. They never saw him again.—Reuter.

## Berlin Airlift May Be Revived

Washington, Nov. 30.

Visiting British Labour Minister, Ian Macleod, predicted that the West may have to revive the 1948 airlift to supply West Berlin, if the Communists cut off the supply route.

But Mr Macleod said on a television interview that he did not believe a Berlin crisis would erupt into a shooting war.

He said the West must make clear to Russia that it will not evacuate its sections of the old German capital.

He accused Russia of trying to repudiate the 1944-45 Berlin occupation agreements.

## Defence Chinks

Mr Macleod, who has been mentioned as a future British Prime Minister, said Russia's moves in Berlin were part of "a series of probing operations to find chinks in the West's defences."

He said the recent crises in the Middle and Far East were part of these probing manoeuvres.

As for Mr Khrushchev's call for an East-West round-table discussion on Berlin, Mr Macleod said, "Just because someone twitches the strings doesn't mean we have to dance."—U.P.I.

## "Soraya, Shah Not In Love"

London, Nov. 30. The broken marriage of the Shah of Iran and lovely Queen Soraya will not be patched up for the simple reason they no longer are in love, well-informed Iranian sources in Europe said today.

The last three years of their marriage were marred by quarrels and other incidents and were not happy ones for the ruler of Iran and his queen, these sources said.

The Iranian sources have confirmed that Soraya more than once threatened to leave her country forever before the separation. When the divorce was announced, it was not a surprise to many.

There have been many reasons given for the divorce, the sources said. But the main reason was incompatibility.

## Tantrums

For this reason no reconciliation is now in the offing, despite the fact that both Soraya and the Shah are now in Europe.

Soraya had many tantrums at the palace in Teheran—and more than came in the presence of large groups and the Shah, the sources said.

When the divorce came there was no love at all, they claimed.

Neither the Shah nor the queen wants a reconciliation and nothing short of a miracle would bring them together again.

## Candidates

When the Shah announced to his 22 million subjects he was divorcing the queen because she had not borne him a son after seven years of marriage it was believed he would be married again soon.

Although there have been many candidates and much talk, there is no sign of the Shah's remarrying.

There have been three 19-year-olds mentioned for the 40-year-old Shah.

They were Manijeh Azam-zangeneh, an art student in Rome and daughter of a member of the Iranian Parliament; Saeedeh Afshari, the British-educated daughter of the Iranian wife of the former President of Pakistan, General Iskander Mirza; and Lay Myhra Flah, daughter of one of the managers of the National Iranian Oil Company.—U.P.I.

## International Coal Mines Competition

Warsaw, Nov. 30.

A group of 14 Polish coal mines is to take part in a "Socialist competition" with 13 Czech mines. It was disclosed today in a communique issued by the management of the Jawornisko Mikulowski mining basin near Cracow.—France-Press.

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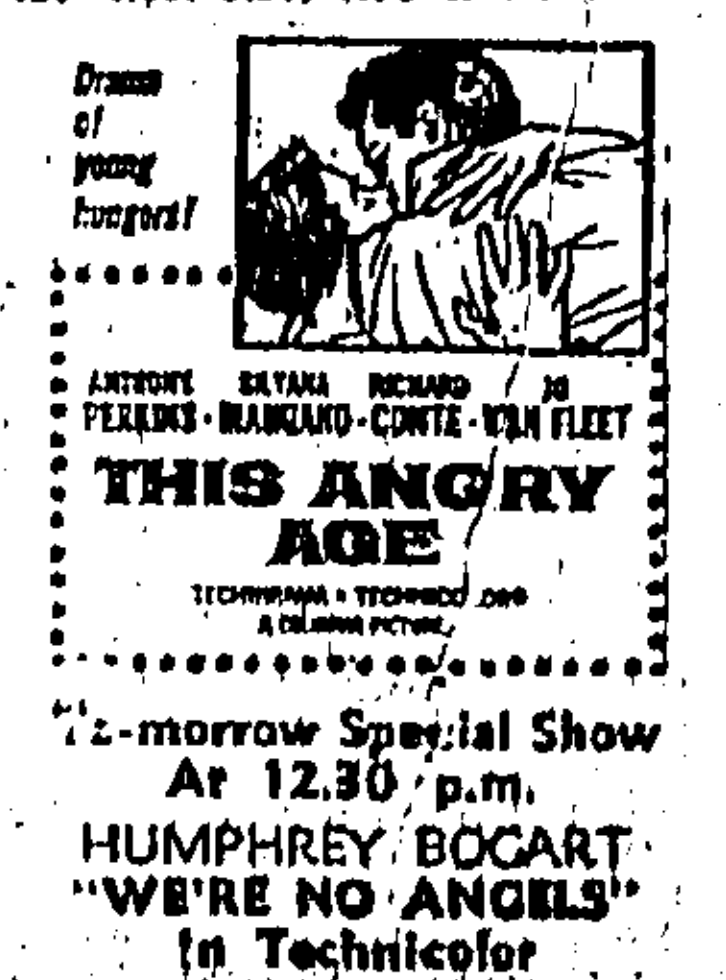
American cars are "vulgar and monotonous" Mr Henry Dreyfuss, a leading U.S. industrial designer, wrote today in Scope, a British monthly for business and industry.

"They are like the legendary Brassy Blonde. She's pretty dazzling for the first five minutes but then you're embarrassed to be seen with her," the article said.

## RITZ

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Criticizing the U.S. car centre Detroit, Mr Dreyfuss who has designed things ranging from a telephone to the interior of a luxury airliner, said: "Automobile manufacturers have forgotten that cars are supposed to be comfortable to sit in, convenient to operate and safe to take on the road."

"Detroit's image of the American consumer is based on the dim past certainly not on the present."

Mr Dreyfuss added: "Automobile manufacturers are confident that the millions of Americans who go to art museums each year—1957 attendance has been estimated at 80 million—are content to turn from El Greco and Monet to find a four-wheeled juke box waiting for them at the curb.

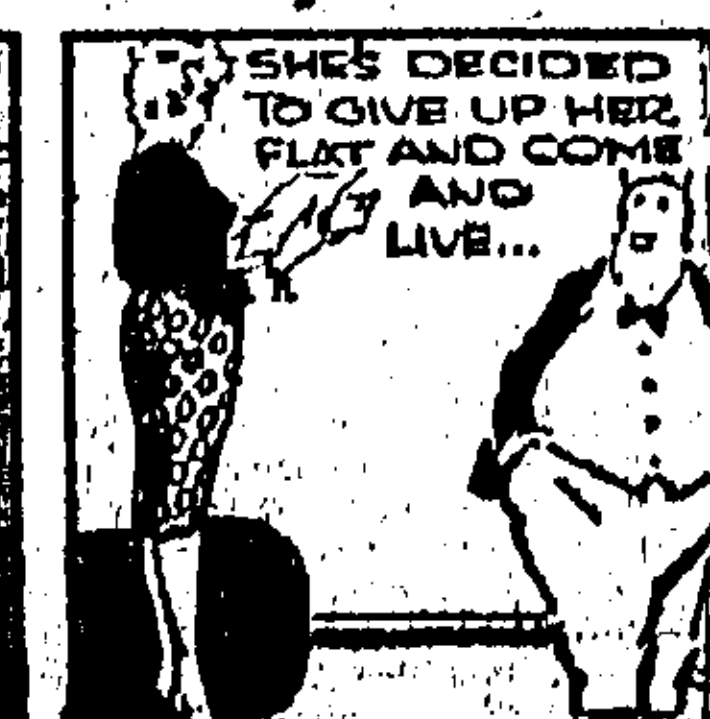
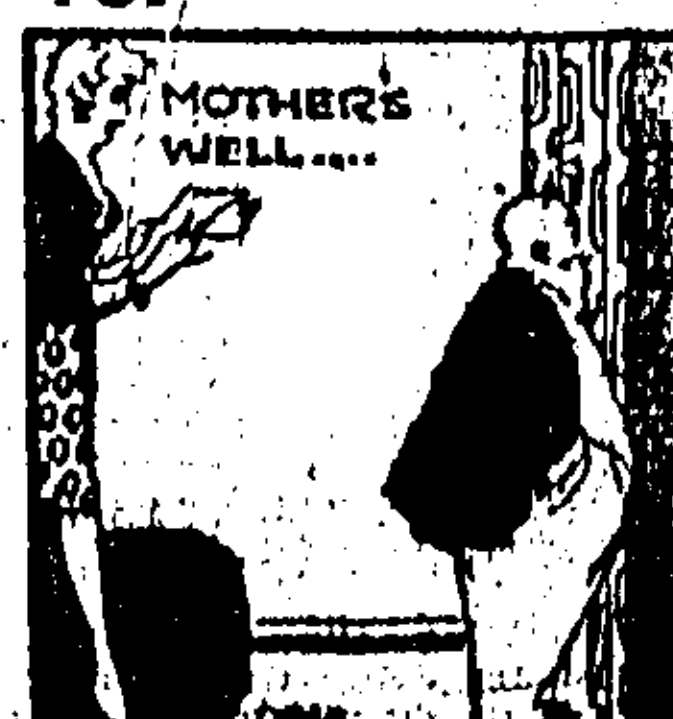
"Detroit is thinking of the jazz age American; not the America we live in."

Commenting on an estimate that 80 per cent of U.S. car accidents are the result of

human failure, Mr Dreyfuss said: "We might ask how many of these human failures involved drivers whose efficiency has been worn down by uncomfortable seats, poorly organised controls, improper visibility?"

"We might be shaken to learn how many of these failures stem from muscular and visual fatigue. And Detroit might be shaken to learn how much of this fatigue can be traced to bad design."—China Mail Special.

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# SPY CHIEF ANSWERS CRITICS

## Buckmaster Angered By Monstrous Charges Against British Spies

London, Nov. 30.

A British wartime Secret Service Chief today denied charges against his organisation but admitted that a German Unit had penetrated one section of it. Colonel Maurice Buckmaster, head of the French Section of Britain's special operations executive, was answering criticisms by French Resistance Leaders and Dame Irene Ward, a Member of Parliament.

The Colonel told reporters he would prefer not to have answered the allegations. He stressed he was doing so in "fairness" to people who worked in the French Section, both at headquarters and in the field and many of whom are not alive today to speak for themselves.

Dame Irene and the authors of two books about the S.O.E. have all expressed doubts about its efficiency.

### Concoited

The M.P. has tabled a Parliamentary motion asking government for an authoritative account of the successes and failures of the executive. She alleges that penetration into the French Section by a German spy leading to the arrest and death of a number of people has been "deliberately concoited."

Colonel Buckmaster said: "The accusations can be summarised into four sections. I will answer each in turn. 'It is said that the French Section was an amateur organisation which I have portrayed as being a match for German Intelligence. 'S.O.E. was neither more nor less amateur than any other branch of the Services engaged in active warfare.

### Outwitted

"We definitely outwitted the German Intelligence, which was likewise a largely amateur organisation. 'The overall result of activities by the French Resistance as a whole, in the words of General Eisenhower, shortened the war by nine months. 'I prefer to rely upon the views of my military commanders than those of two persons unconnected with the service."

### Traitor

The second charge, said Colonel Buckmaster, was "that there was a traitor in our midst." He continued: "The central figure in Miss Jean Overton Fuller's book, referred to as 'Gilbert', was a French Air

Force officer who became a French Section agent with an honorary rank in the I.A.F. He was brought back to this country in February, 1944, and remained here until the close of military operations in France. 'He was tried—and acquitted—by the French Government in the summer of 1948."

### Monstrous

The third accusation was "that we deliberately sent agents into the hands of the Germans and concoited this fact from the public." He continued: "I entirely reject the accusation that we deliberately sent agents to the Germans. It is a monstrous accusation."

Finally, he said it was alleged "that we showed callousness and secretiveness towards relatives and the people who had worked for us."

Colonel Buckmaster commented: "All relevant facts were communicated as soon as they became known."

The Colonel went on: "People wonder why I always refer to the successes of the executive."

### Widely Spread

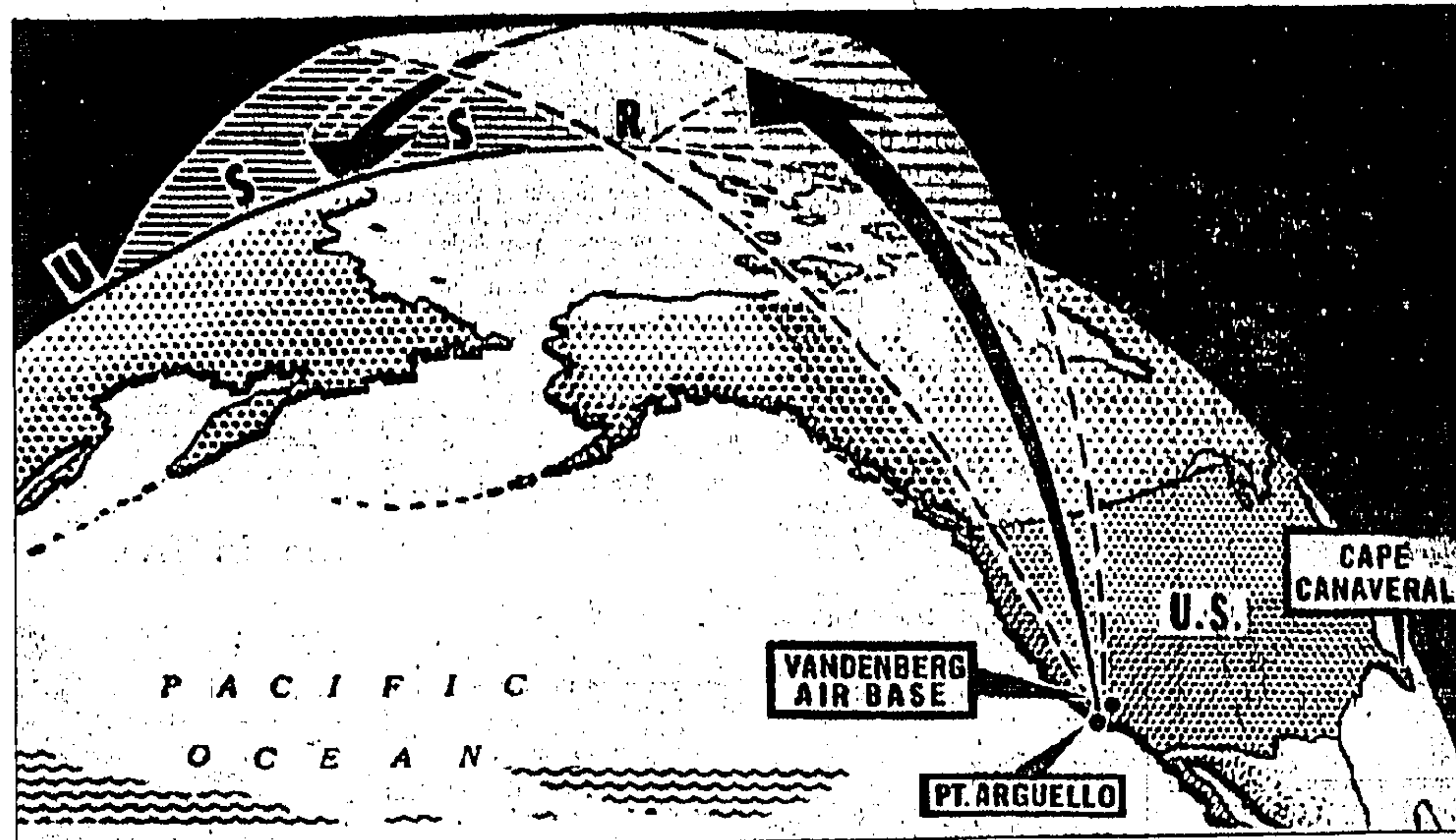
"It is because success stories outweigh the failure stories. The proof of that is the unusually high number of decorations given to officers of the French Section."

"Apart from General Eisenhower, and other western leaders who have praised our efforts, post-war records have shown that the Germans attached a very high value to the organisation."

He admitted, however, that the German Abwehr Anti-Spy Unit penetrated one cell of the French Section. "Unfortunately, it was a widely-spread cell and the penetrations led to a large number of arrests. But I have not deliberately concealed this fact."

Such penetrations were thought by some to be inevitable in an organisation which worked in enemy territory and was subjected, like the people of an occupied territory, to spot checks and other methods of combing resistance. Reuter.

## A U.S. ATOM BASE TO SHOOT IN ANGER



The United States has disclosed space fiction plans for its new atomic range at Point Arguello, 140 miles north of Los Angeles. Rear Admiral Jack P. Monroe, commander of the new range said that the launching of hydrogen-armed satellites in polar orbits could come if it became desirable to put up that kind of world "police force". The Vandenberg Air Force Base near Lompoc, located near the missile range was specifically designed to fire in anger at Russia with intercontinental ballistic missiles if armed hostilities ever occurred between the Soviet Union and the U.S. He explained that the natural isolation of the new missile range would blend with the nation's policy of strict secrecy regarding all kinds of space probes as well as missiles. Tests from Cape Canaveral have been made with full press coverage. He said that the isolated 90,000 acres north of Pt. Arguello would complete the major headquarters of America's missile programme in California.—UPI Telephoto.

## Criticism From France

Dover, Nov. 30.

Captain Peter Churchill, wartime member of the French Section of the Special Operations Executive, today French criticism of himself and his former wife as "a jest."

His ex-wife Odette, who was awarded the George Cross, Britain's highest civilian award, for her exploits in occupied France. Captain Churchill who had just arrived here from his villa at Nice, said he would ask for a public inquiry in France unless the former French Resistance workers retracted their allegations.

Six former Resistance men have challenged him to name one single act of sabotage for which he was responsible between August 15, 1942 and February, 1943. They have invited his former wife Odette to name a similar act of her own between November, 1942 and February 1943.

Captain Churchill's London comment was: "I am not going to get hot under the collar about these allegations, but I am very surprised at the whole thing."

"But I want to get this matter cleared, so that I can live in peace in my adopted country of France. 'So either these people, who have not even signed their names, retract or I will ask for a public inquiry in France.—Reuter.

## West Too Niggardly Says Top Scientist

London, Nov. 30.

A prominent British astronomer warned today that unless the West discards its "parsimonious attitude to science and technology" its influence will pass to other nations, perhaps Russia.

## Advertising In The Suez Desert

Cairo, Nov. 30.

The Suez Canal Authority is considering a plan which can yield 250,000 Egyptian pounds (in hard currency) without the use of pilots or any navigation aids, according to the newspaper "Al-Ahram."

The plan calls for the preparation of advertising sites along the 100-kilometre (100-mile) banks of the canal. The advertisements can be placed at various distances so as not to interfere with navigation signals and will be seen by passengers of all nationalities passing through the canal. The advertisements will improve the barren banks of the canal and will attract the attention of passengers and help them to overcome the weariness of the journey through the canal.—China Mail Special.

## Low Temperatures In Crossing Of Antarctica

Moscow, Nov. 30.

Sledges and snowcat vehicles of the third Soviet Trans-Antarctic Expedition have reached the inland base of Sovetskaya after an 850-mile journey. The Soviet News Agency Tass reported today.

The team, under Arkady Nikolayev, fought temperatures of minus 50 degrees Centigrade (54 degrees of frost Fahrenheit) and high altitudes on the crossing from the Soviet Antarctic settlement of Mirny.

They found oxygen scarce at altitudes of 2,500 to 3,700 metres (about 12,000 feet). Tass said.

After a short rest at Sovetskaya—farthest scientific settlement from the shore—the team will head for the Pole of relative inaccessibility, treading vast expanses of wilderness never crossed before.—Reuter.

## Bulgarian Head

Moscow, Nov. 30.

Mr Dimitar Ganev, secretary of the central committee of the Bulgarian Communist party, was today elected the new Bulgarian head of state. Tass, the official Soviet news agency, reported today.—Reuter.

## Dulles Arrives For Mexican Inauguration

Mexico City, Nov. 30.

The U.S. Secretary of State Mr John Foster Dulles, received a quiet and orderly reception tonight when he arrived to represent the United States at the inauguration of President-Elect Adolfo Lopez Mateo.

A Communist-inspired "Dulles no home" campaign failed to get off the ground and the authorities said there were no disturbances in the city. The capital and the country was in a festive mood for the inauguration tomorrow.

Taking no chances, however, scores of plainclothes police patrolled the airport as Mr Dulles' Air Force Constellation landed at 0030 GMT. The Secretary of State was the first person down the ramp, followed by Milton Eisenhower, brother of the President, and General Curtis Lemay, other members of the American delegation.

The Mexican Foreign Minister, Luis Padilla Nervo, greeted Mr Dulles and shook his hand. Mr Dulles returned the greeting, saying "I am happy to be here."

The U.S. delegation was among groups from 51 countries, including the Soviet Union, which were gathering for the inauguration of the 48-year-old former Labour Secretary who is succeeding President Adolfo Ruiz Cortines.

After rendering a short statement, Mr Dulles moved through the crowd to a limousine which drove him and the other members of the party to the U.S. Embassy. Police guarded Mr Dulles, but there was no trouble. He was greeted with scattered applause.—U.P.I.

## Rhino Moves To New Zoo

London.

The London Zoo announced that it is selling Mohinija, one-year-old great Indian rhinoceros, to the Milwaukee Zoo, United States, and using the proceeds to buy Grevy zebra from Kenya.

A herd of 20 zebras is being collected by arrangement with the warden in Kenya and should be at its open zoo at Whipsnade, outer London, by next summer.

Mohinija, which was born at Whipsnade, will be paired with one Milwaukee in obtaining from Basle, Switzerland, and is hoped to produce the first great Indian rhino born in captivity in America.

The male rhinoceros at Basle was the first ever born in captivity. Mohinija was the second. Grevy zebras have ass-like ears and black stripes.—China Mail Special.

## Blind Man Saved From Fiery Death

Southport, Lancashire, Nov. 30.

A 12-year-old girl saved a blind 63-year-old man when his clothing caught fire in a house blaze at Southport. Winifred Windobank rescued Mr Edward Aspinall, who lives alone.

She saw Mr Aspinall staggering through the doorway of his home, his trousers alight. She ran to him and with her bare hands, beat out the flames. He escaped with only slight burns to his hands.

In the house she found furniture on fire and attacked the flames until firemen came.—China Mail Special.

## Todd Baby Back From Hospital

Los Angeles, Nov. 30.

Actress Elizabeth Taylor's 16-month-old daughter, Elizabeth Frances Todd, was back home today after treatment for pneumonia at the UCLA Medical Centre.

The child was released yesterday from the Centre where she was taken on November 12 by Miss Taylor and singer Eddie Fisher.—U.P.I.

## "Glasgow Belly"

Glasgow, Nov. 30.

Nearly five people in every thousand living in Glasgow have bacillary dysentery—and that has been the average for the past five years, a hospital report stated.

The report added: "The mortality rate is negligible but if it were not for the rapid and generally effective anti-bacterial measures which can be taken in hospitals, there can be no doubt the epidemic would have reached even greater proportions."—China Mail Special.

## Asked Judge To Defend Her

Djakarta, Nov. 30.

A woman charged with murder asked the judge to defend her, according to an Antara News Agency despatch.

The woman, a coffee-house keeper in Central Java, replied "No, sir" when the presiding judge asked whether she wanted defence counsel.

When the judge insisted, she replied: "Well, then, sir, would you be my defence counsel?"

Amid courtroom laughter, the judge explained this would be difficult. She was allotted defence counsel by the court.—China Mail Special.

## DEBBIE REYNOLDS AT A BALL

Dobbie Reynolds who recently separated from her husband Eddie Fisher is soon dancing with actor Jacques Bergerac, former youthful husband of the veteran film star Ginger Rogers. They were among a crowd of Hollywood personalities at the Imperial Ball for Queen Frederika and Princess Sophie of Greece... a \$100 a plate charity function in New York.—UPI Telephoto.

## Good Wishes For Winston's 84th Birthday

London, Nov. 30.

Sir Winston Churchill tonight expressed his thanks for the many messages of good wishes he had received today—his 84th birthday.

"I have received many messages of good wishes on my 84th birthday from friends known and unknown all over the world and they have given me and my family great pleasure," he said in a press statement.

"There are such a large number that I cannot unfortunately acknowledge each one, but I should like to express my warm thanks to all who have so kindly thought of me."—Reuter.

## Fire Wrecks Cricketer's Sheep Farm

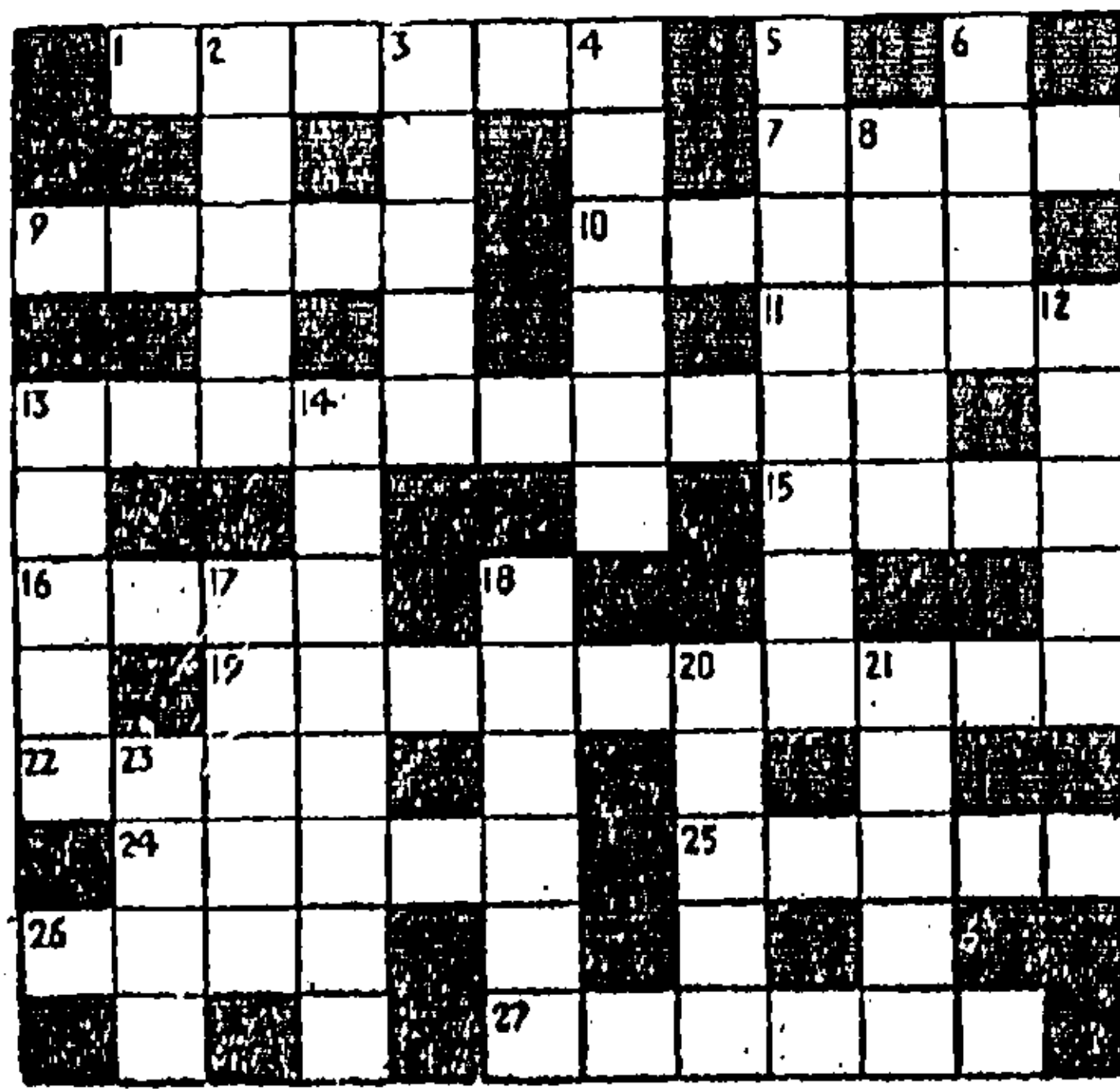
Worcester, Nov. 30.

A fire caused serious damage at the farm home near Worcester of the English cricketer Peter Richardson, now in Australia with the English touring team. The blaze killed 29 pullets, a large barn, destroyed farm implements and a tractor and about 60 per cent of the winter feed for the farm's cows and sheep.

The farm is owned by Mr Walter Richardson, who is helped by his two sons, Peter and Derek, when they are not playing cricket for Worcestershire.—China Mail Special.



## A British Crossword Puzzle



### ACROSS

- 1 Bank counter (6).
- 7 Highway (4).
- 9 Told off (5).
- 10 Sprat catchers? Could be (5).
- 11 Path (4).
- 13 Unmoving state (10).
- 15 Fitting encounter (4).
- 16 Might it really kill? (4).
- 19 Solvers' necessary (4, 6).
- 22 Help received by a book-maker? (4).
- 24 Breed from a sire (5).
- 25 Underfoot (5).
- 26 High water, in a sense (4).
- 27 He first hits the ball—and then waits? (6).

### DOWN

- 2 Wide, maybe (5).
- 3 Burdened (5).
- 4 Go round and round (5).
- 5 Guide has to pull a chap round the ring (5).
- 6 Yeast fed (4).
- 8 Suppose (5).
- 12 That's the lot (5).
- 13 Cattle colour (5).
- 14 Hail, for example (8).
- 17 All this meant "raiders' music" (5).
- 18 Could these reptiles produce a "12"? (6).
- 20 Come right in (5).
- 21 Hide (6).
- 23 Doest about a game (4).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1 Hustle, 4 Using, 7 Nomias, 8 Valve, 11 Peru, 12 Orinoco, 15 B-N-are, 16 Avar, 17 Post, 18 At-one, 20 Exorials, 21 Trot, 23 Divan, 24 Bolero, 25 Needy, 26 Shades. Down: 1 Horn-pipe, 2 Bomozot, 3 List, 5 Stagnant, 6 No-vice, 8 Frete, 11 Untoward, 12 Orate, 13 Over-head, 14 O-rations, 16 Ox-hide, 22 Taut.





"ANY OF YOU LIKE TO DO A BIT OF HORSE-TRADING?"

## Sleep: To Deny It Was A Chinese Death-Penalty

**W**HAT is life's prime necessity, lack of which will kill a man quicker than the absence of food and drink? The answer is sleep, the complete lack of which for more than three or four days can have fatal results.

And what is sleep? This is a question which has long baffled scientists, and which is still shrouded in a good deal of mystery. A dictionary definition describes it as the periodic condition of rest during which voluntary consciousness and activity cease, but this does not go far towards explaining the condition.

Many theories have been evolved to account for sleep, with a view to testing the Some authorities have attributed various theories on the cause of it to chemical changes in the body, such as the accumulation of certain acids during wakefulness and activity. Some attribute it to the body using up, during activity, more oxygen than body-cells can store up and replenish. Some attribute it to changes in the blood supply of the brain—during sleep, and the body temperature, and in fact, it is believed that sleep and wakefulness are under the control of a centre in the middle part of the brain.

But experiments carried out with a view to testing the various theories on the cause of sleep have not proved very satisfactory. Research into the effects of sleep on the human body has been more successful, however. It is known, for instance, that a person's respiratory movements and heart-beats are slower during sleep, and the body temperature lower. It has also been estimated that the greatest intensity of sleep is reached approximately one hour after a person has dropped off into 'the land of nod.' Generally, from the second or third hour onwards, the sleep becomes shallow, and the brain is only just below the level of alertness.

The ideal sleep is said to be dreamless, though it is widely considered that absolutely dreamless sleep is comparatively rare.

Some inmates of mental institutions have been known to fall into an exaggerated kind of sleep, a trance-like condition lasting for days or even weeks, and often associated with 'hysterical' cases.

On the other hand, there is today a trend among tired business men and other individuals suffering from the strains and stresses of a particularly exacting way of life, or even an excess of late nights and high living, to submit themselves to a treatment which aims at inducing prolonged sleep.

Such people can benefit by going into private nursing homes and under proper medical supervision of course, allowing themselves to be put to sleep, for, say, forty-eight hours. The treatment can be prolonged over a period of a fortnight, if they can afford the money and the time. The treatment has to be prescribed by a doctor, and is specifically intended for extreme cases of strain. Those who undergo it say it is marvellously reinvigorating, and some hard-worked industrialists and commercial tycoons are reputed to take this sleep-treatment every six months or so, though there is a body of medical opinion which frowns on it as being unnatural and not to be lightly undertaken.

No one would deny the value of a rest-cure for a person suffering from overwork or any excessive activity, but, personally, I prefer the natural variety of sleep to the sort of repose which special nursing homes may provide by artificial means.

One famed tycoon would certainly not have followed the present-day trend had he belonged to the current generation of 'Big Business' personalities, and he was assuredly as hard-worked as any of his 'modern' counterparts.

He was John Davison Rockefeller, Senior, born in 1839, American capitalist, oil magnate, and philanthropist on the grand scale. In his recipe for health and longevity he laid stress on 'securing plenty of fresh air while sleeping'—and he lived to the ripe old age of ninety-eight.

Recognised general aids to sleep, in fact, are a well-ventilated, quiet and darkened room—and, though many folk might not like the idea of this, a fairly hard bed.

Footnote: The Chinese appreciated the importance of sleep in maintaining human life—and also appreciated what the denial of sleep could mean. A legend in the China, of former days was that by deprivation of sleep, the condemned's ordeal ending after the lapse of a few days.

A. ROBERTSON

# It's tougher than ever to get into Oxford

**VISCOUNT CHELSEA:** sent down.

**Lord Oxman-town:** rusticated. Sent down also: Glubb Pasha's son and, most recently of all, the son of the Liberal leader, Jo Grimond. Oxford's college authorities scythe down the sons of the great in swathes. Why?

These young gentlemen do not go down for burning the Dean's bed. Nor, like Viscount Encombe last year, for killing one of the deer which have safely grazed in the grove at Magdalen for generations.

They go down for failing their preliminary examinations. Twice.

## Bursting

It is a ruthless sign of the times. It reflects the intense and increasing competition for places at all British universities, and especially at Oxford and Cambridge.

This year the press of applicants was greater than ever and the number admitted are the largest in Britain's history. Ever since the war the universities have been bursting at the seams. The wave of ex-

Service men strained their resources to breaking-point. The pre-war population of 50,000 students rose to a peak of 85,000 in 1949. Then, to the relief of the dons and the administrators the wave began to subside.

But not for long. Four years later the numbers rose again. Why? Because many more children were staying on at school until they were 17 or more. Nearly twice as many, in fact, as before the war. And the proportion of children doing so is still increasing every year.

## Big demand

This new—and welcome—trend reversed the moderate decline in numbers which had set in when the last ex-Service men had come up to study.

It has carried the student population to even greater heights. This coming year is likely to see about 100,000 men and women in the universities of Britain.

The universities have been hard put to it to cope with this steadily rising demand. Teaching problems and the supply of accommodation present obvious difficulties—most of all for the residential universities of Oxford and Cambridge.

(JUST THE SAME AT CAMBRIDGE, TOO)

BY IVAN YATES

Here the colleges have had to raise the academic standards demanded of those seeking a place. Long past are the days when an interview and a nice letter from the headmaster sufficed. Would-be commoners have to sit an examination now.

## One in five

At Magdalen College, Oxford, everyone who wants a place must sit the college's scholarship examination. This year only one in every five who did so could be accepted.

At Balliol half as many again sought admission as commoners this year as last. And, in spite of a decision to increase the size of the intake, only one in seven could be taken.

For a special reason. A reason which has everywhere swelled the demand this year even above that in recent years—the ending of National Service.

Since the war many undergraduates have been encouraged to do their time in the Forces before going up to the university.

This year and next these men will join those coming straight from school with no obligation to join the Colours, to make one over-size entry.

Reluctantly, but inescapably, the universities and the colleges are expanding to cater for this once-for-all flood of applicants.

So Balliol steps up its entry from the normal 110 to more than 150. Even a small college like Pembroke, which prides itself on its smallness, prepares to take in another 20 undergraduates.

But the tutor responsible for admissions, Mr. C. N. Ward-Perkins looks to a return to the normal, smaller size in a year or two.

## New wave

He may be over-optimistic. For another wave of entrants can be seen sweeping on its way. It will dash itself against the college walls in two or three years' time—just when the present combined wave of National Servicemen and sixth formers has spent itself.



If the dons are not preparing for this, it may knock them off balance.

This new wave is what is inelegantly known as 'The Bulge'. In the middle of the last war the number of births in Britain began to rise. The rise accelerated immediately after the war.

Children born then have now passed through the primary schools. They have taken their 11-plus. Now they are pushing their way through the secondary schools.

## Some bulge!

What will happen when they apply many of them, to enter the universities?

Here is the measure of the problem. For every 100 youths aged 16 last year there will be 112 in three years' time. And 144 four years after that.

Nearly half as many again: in less than a decade. Some bulge!

In one way or another an increased proportion of these increased numbers of young men must be accommodated in the universities. The aim at present is to reach 124,000 students by 1968. And then top that with an increment of 10 per cent.

Every effort must be made and no expense spared to attain this modest target. The welfare and prosperity of Britain depend upon it.

(London Express Service).

## JOHN CLARKE TAKES TIME OFF FROM REPORTING CRICKET

# They're still trying to sell gold in Valhalla...



**WALHALLA, Victoria.**  
**WE** rode into Valhalla—or as they spell it here, Walhalla—in a stream-lined blue electric train and a convoy of buses that laboured up into the dusty, close-wooded hills like over-worked Valkyrie maidens.

There were 301 rubber-necks who had come to see a ghost goldmining town once so rich that £1 shares of its best mine sold a dividend of £512.

And there was Charlie Lee, Charlie had bounced into the aircraft-type seat next to mine in the train, a wiry little man of 72 whose Sabbath-solem, well-pressed suit could hardly contain his energy.

Dairy farm countryside that reminded me of Sussex flowed past and Charlie Lee, who had once owned a hotel in Walhalla, told me the town's history.

Gold was discovered by a man named Stringer who, apart from giving his name to the place—it was first known as Stringer's Creek—seems to have got very little for his trouble.

Like most prospectors, Stringer lacked capital and business acumen. Melbourne businessmen who stepped in possessed plenty of both.

One prospector sold a sixth share in Long Tunnel, the best mine, for a bag of flour and one week's groceries.

It was the mine's first manager, Henry Rossner, who changed its name to Walhalla. "It's Norse" mythology," Charlie explained. "Oh, it was a great place in the old days. There were 14 pubs, and fights in the street were a regular thing on Saturday nights. Some fellows would fight each other every week and then go into a pub for grog."

## The barbecue

"Nowadays we've got a Walhalla Improvement League. It's trying to preserve the town, you know. They're putting on a barbecue for this lot. Ought to make £210."

The old town's not dead, after? We've just put in a public convenience. Cost £1,200. "I was born in Walhalla. It's a great town, wonderful town. They took £10,000 ounces of gold out of Long Tunnel mine. It sold £1,285,000 dividend."

"We did better than Ballarat because we went on for 50 years—from 1863 to 1913."

"There were close on 5,000 people in Walhalla. Now there are 64 in the ghost town. The last marriage took place 10 years ago and that was the first for 25 years."

When we reached Walhalla Charlie cried, "Here we are, The Vale of Heroics."

The vale was a winding, rough-surfaced road overhung by steep wooded hills. Alongside it where there was room, perhaps 40 shack-like bungalows clung to the hillside.

They were made of wood and roofed with asbestos or corrugated iron. Some were shabby; some bravely painted; all as forlornly lonely as private misery. It was all that was left of the busy gold town.

On a patch of flat ground where once had stood the Methodist church, assembly hall and police station, the Improve-

ment League's barbecue was busy grilling a steer.

On a wooden bandstand built on stilts, a band that had come from 14 miles away to breathe life into the occasion through its brass embarked on the march St. Kilida.

In the old gold days brass bands had been, apart from fighting, one of the few pursuits available.

## Shares for 2s.

And there was cricket in those days. "Miners hacked out a ground on an 800ft. high hilltop. Harry Boyle, who played in 12 matches against England, taking 32 wickets, in the '60s, came from Walhalla."

And Warwick Armstrong is credited with knocking the ball out of the ground on to a hotel roof below.

The band played Come All Ye Faithful and outside the

village a rolypoly man named James Hagerty, in slouch hat, invited people to buy 2s. shares in a gold mine 25 miles away. The prospectus called it New Dawn Consolidated. The heading added, "No liability."

"Just look at this," commanded Mr. Hagerty and handed me a piece of rock and a magnifying glass fitted with a flashlight bulb. Gold sparkled convincingly.

"On my word, we're working on this," Hagerty told me and the women standing around. "You'll pay your way several times round the world on this."

"What do we get reports on how you're doing?" one cautious woman asked.

"You can't have people sending out reports all the time," Hagerty said, "but, mark you, me, you'll be hearing about this mine."

He turned to me and added, "You tell the boys. They could."

get on to something really good."

I made a mental note to tell Desmond Eager, known here as "Cash" as he handles the MCC's finances.

An old-timer showed me what looked like a piece of a brick chimney. It was the bank vault in which sometimes £10 million worth of gold was stored. Once a week the bank manager could take it to Moe railroad by coach with two mounted armed policemen as escort.

Though Ned Kelly was operating not far away, the coach was not once derailed on its 31-mile day-long journey—which the old-timer made to seem safer than wago collection in London nowadays.

The band began to play the Maori farewell. Now is the Hour, and as we climbed into the buses there was a strange air of poignancy. We were leaving a little world, or 64 people once more to its own devices.

They had no doctor, no policeman. Half a dozen young men but no young girls. No adventurous jobs now—only work on roads or in the sawmill.

Some had resented our intrusion. Some were already living for the next invasion, due in January.

We climbed into the hills. "Great town isn't it?" said Charlie Lee. "It's by no means dead."

I do not think he had seen the town as we saw it. For him Walhalla still thrived and there was still gold in those hills.

(London Express Service).

## THE NEW LOOK IN CYPRUS... BY JAK



"So I said, you won't catch me in a bullet-proof vest. I'd ruin me chances."

London Express Service.

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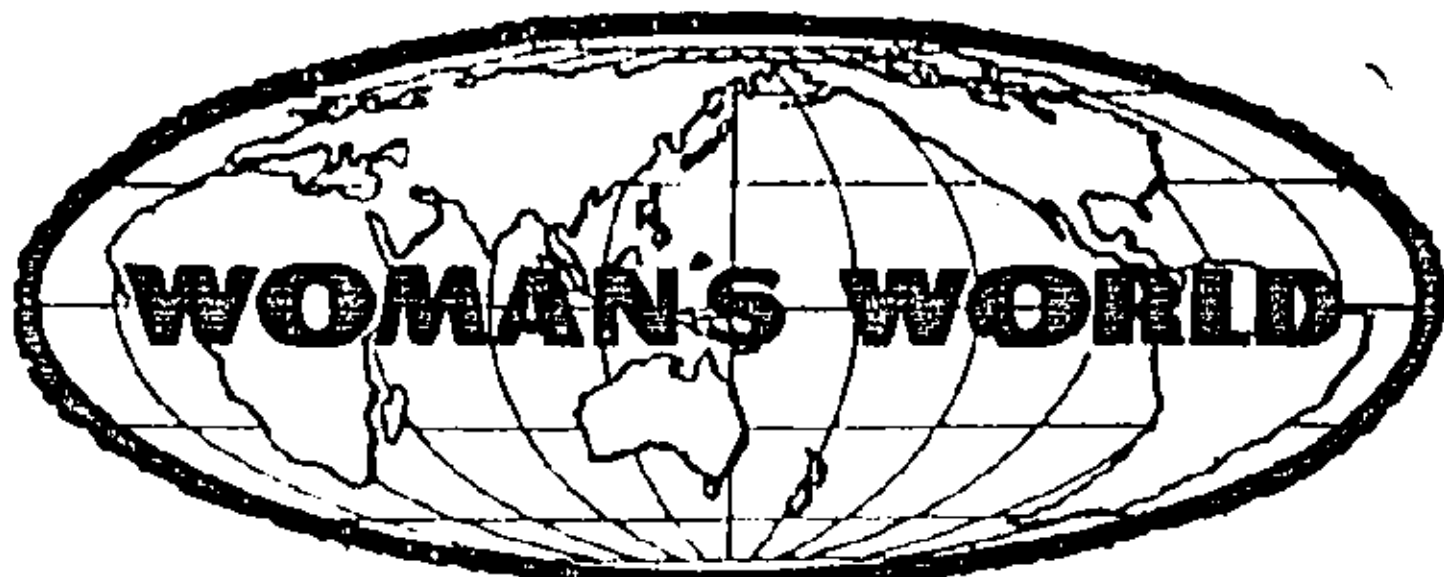
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# WOMANSENSE

## THE JERSEY LILY



### GIRLS TO RUN RICKSHAWS

Durban. A Johannesburg businessman has applied to the Durban City Council for permission to allow European girls to operate motor-propelled rickshaws for tourists along the Durban beach front.

He feels that as the motor-propelled rickshaws will diminish the pulling of rickshaws by human beings, it will do away with the criticism that rickshaw pullers are subject to excessive health strains.

Durban's colourful rickshaw pullers, whose photographs with

their tourist patrons, have been seen in all parts of the world, are now wondering whether it is not advisable to approach the Minister of Labour with a request that they be handed job reservation cards.

These rickshaw boys, all of them sturdy and good-natured, have no fear that their colourful—but not so profitable—occupation is coming to an end. They seem confident that their presence on the Durban beach is a source of great attraction to South Africans and tourists alike.—Reuter

### JACOBY on BRIDGE

SOUTH really gave today's hand a tremendous play. He won the opening heart lead with the ace and promptly decided to play East for both the other kings. Hence he led the eight of clubs and let it ride to East's 10.

East cashed his queen of hearts and continued with the ten. South took his jack and laid down the ace of clubs. When it dropped East's king, South had a marked finesse against West's jack. This gave him three club tricks, three spade tricks, two hearts and a diamond for a total of nine, but South actually made 10.

He cashed all the clubs and spades, winding up in dummy. Now he led dummy's last heart and East was in the lead with

NORTH 20	
♠ K Q 2	
♥ 8 6 5 2	
♦ Q 3	
♣ Q 7 4	
EAST (D)	
♠ 8 7	
♥ K 7	
♦ J 10 7	
♣ J 8 5 2	
SOUTH	
♠ A 10 9	
♥ A 1 4	
♦ A 6 3 2	
♣ A 8 3	
North and South vulnerable	
East South West North	
1 ♠ 1 N.T. ♠ Pass 2 N.T.	
Pass 3 N.T. ♠ Pass Pass	
Opening lead—♥ K	

### CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been:

West Double 1♥ ?  
You South, hold:  
♠ J 2 ♠ 4 2 ♠ K J 7 8 ♠ Q 8 6 5  
What do you do?

A—Bid two diamonds. You are proud of this bid but you have just a little too much to pass.

### TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding has been:  
East South West North  
1 ♠ Double Pass 1 ♠  
Pass 2 ♠  
You South, hold:  
♠ A 6 5 ♠ A Q 7 8 ♠ K J 4 3 ♠ 10 2  
What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

### YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

MONDAY, DECEMBER 1

BORN today you have two outstanding characteristics: leadership and the ability to get along peacefully with everyone. You have a quiet, reserved nature, especially at first meeting, but you have a broad streak of generosity and dependence on your nature and dislike taking or giving advice. You believe that each individual should have the right to make up his own mind and act as he sees fit.

The stars have given you creative talent in the arts but you will need to cultivate your talent from a very early age. A family of children born on this date should discover their own special gifts and turn all their energies toward its development. In this way, the child will reach an early success.

All of you who come under this star will be affectionate, generous and loving. The early establishment of your own home is a real necessity for complete happiness. You are intuitive by nature and

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2

SAOITARUS (Nov. 21-Dec. 22) — Continue the job begun yesterday. Make the most of another active day.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20) — Might be a good idea to get started on the Christmas list. Do some buying today.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19) — Go straight to the boss with any problems. This is a good day to decide things.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20) — Concentrate on your studies or help those in your family group with their.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20) — If you want to begin next year with a new job, now is the time to start hunting.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21) — Devote this evening to a concert or the cinema.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21) — Broaden your social life. Accept an invitation to dinner and enjoy yourself.

CANCER (June 22-July 22) — Romance is in the air today. You may meet your "one and only."

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Keep your eyes open.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — If in the arms of the professions, your career should show promising signs now.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — A good time to make a decision on some important business matter.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Be constructive in your thinking and act on some decision, important to your nature.

JUST how beautiful was the "rage" of London and New York in the 'eighties and 'nineties?

We can see exactly how they looked when at the height of their fame. Gainsborough, Reynolds and Hogarth painted Garrick; Millais, Whistler, Watts and Burne-Jones painted Mrs Langtry.

### DEVASTATING

In days when there was no cinema and no aeroplanes, and photographs could not be transmitted across the oceans by cable, Lillie Langtry had all to herself a place which scores of lovely film stars now have

to share with each other and new faces (and figures) constantly being added to the list.

Judging from "The Ghedra" by Ernest Dudley (published by Odhams—18s.), Mrs Langtry was as devastating as Gina Lollobrigida, Sophia Loren and Marilyn Monroe put together.

Lord Randolph Churchill, the father of Sir Winston Churchill, Gladstone and Disraeli all praised her beauty. George Squalley, New York "Tribune and Times" art critic admitted that she was "a vision never to be forgotten—the lines of her body flow gently into each other." Her eyes, apparently could be grey, blue and violet in turn.

### HOUSEHOLD HINTS

An empty plastic "squeeze" bottle immersed in warm water or a window cleaner plunger bottle filled with warm water makes a good spray to use when you sprinkle ironing. If you spray with warm water clothes will iron dry faster.

Season wooden clothespins by soaking them for half an hour in boiling water with a little washing soda. Then spread them in the sun to dry. This

process will keep them from breaking.

### CHILDREN'S CORNER

#### The Proud Gold Button

—Getting Lost Made It Humble—

By MAX TRELL

HANID, the Shadow Girl with the "Turned-About Name," came into the room with her brother Knarf, and Teddy, the Stuffed Bear.

"I'm sure he'll tell us the story," she said to them. "It's a wonderful story. It's a story about a Golden Button."

By this time they had reached the other side of the room. And here, under the sunny window, Mr Punch was dozing in his easy chair.

He smiled when he saw the children approach.

Knows What They Want

"Ah," he said. "I see it coming. You want me to tell you a story."

"We want you to tell us," replied Hanid. "The story of the Golden Button. I hope you haven't forgotten it."

"It's about the Golden Button that got lost," Knarf added.

"I think he's forgotten it," Teddy whispered to Hanid.

But all at once Mr Punch's face brightened.

Sat On The Carpet

"Ah," he said. "I remember it very well. Make yourselves comfortable and I'll tell you the

Story of the Golden Button That Got Itself Lost."

So after Hanid, Knarf and Teddy had sat themselves on the carpet at Mr Punch's feet, he began as follows:

"Well," said Mr Punch, "it was a very handsome Golden Button, about twice as big as a penny, and it came from a very handsome Coat. I dare say it was very proud to be attached to this Coat, for it stood right out in front where everyone could see and admire it."

"In fact, it often told the Coat in the quiet of the clothes closet: 'If I weren't for me, you wouldn't be nearly as handsome as you are.'"

"But the Coat only laughed—probably up its sleeve," added Mr Punch. "It said to the Button: 'You'd better watch out. Button. One of these days you'll fall off. Why, you're just hanging by a thread now.'"

Fell To The Ground

"And sure enough," Mr Punch went on, "the day came when the thread broke and the Button fell to the ground and rolled in to a clump of grass. And although the owner of the Coat searched high and low for it, and the Button kept shouting: 'Here, a little more to the left! No, a little more to the right! It was not found, and it was left lying all alone in the clump of grass.'"

"Poor Golden Button! After being worn on the front of a Coat and being taken from place to place, meeting people and seeing things all day long, it had now fallen to the very bottom of loneliness. The only living thing it saw were a family of Ants that marched to and fro over it in their search for food."

"The Button never spoke to them, for it was still too proud to speak to such lowly things as Ants."

"How it longed to go somewhere! How it longed to do something useful! All my life I have done nothing but adorn a Coat," it said. "I see now I have

Just Guessed

"Perhaps the Ants heard what it was saying," Mr Punch continued. "Or perhaps they just guessed."

"At any rate, one day, as they were returning to the ant hill they dropped an oat into the very hole where the Button's thread had been."

"And do you know what happened? The oat sprouted through the hole and as it grew taller, it carried the Button up, with it. And one day a girl came along and saw it standing high above the grass and took it home."

"And where is it now, Uncle Punch?" Knarf asked.

"Right in front of her Coat," he answered. "And every night it says to the Coat: 'Coat, my friend, if it weren't for me—no, I beg your pardon—if it weren't for you, I wouldn't be nearly as handsome as I am now.'"

"And the Coat laughed, but not up its sleeve. It was very pleased."

"I wish I were a Button and could go everywhere on a Coat," said Teddy.

But Hanid shook her head. "No," she said. "I'd rather have a Button than be one, even a golden one."

### Rupert and the Carved Stick—26



Running between the great fallen stones and keeping the sea on their left, the two pals returned to their starting point only to find that Mr. and Mrs. Bear have packed up the picnic things. "There's my Pompey and he looks all right," Edward puffed. "Sorry



we've been so long." Rupert close behind him hears another sound. "Half a mo'. Somebody's calling," he says. Turning back after a few paces he sees that the gentleman is following them as fast as he can and seems to be excited over something.

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By SIDNEY TAYLOR

"The loveliest thing that ever was," commented Whistler. "She is perfect," while Harry Pileer, American partner of Gaby Deslys, the French revue star, called her "more beautiful than a Lily."

Oscar Wilde, just becoming a great writer and before his disgrace, described her as "worthy of a Parthenon frieze."

The Burne-Jones picture of Mrs Langtry, "The Wheel of Fortune," shows a woman with

a pitiless face turning a huge wheel on which kings and princes, statesmen and millionaires rise and reach the top, only to fall and be crushed below.

### HARD-HEADED

Mr Dudley sees her most of the time as "a hard-headed professional beauty," and Mrs Langtry's daughter, now elderly, warned him that he would write the biography "at his own peril."

He says that Prince Leopold, delicate youngest son of Queen Victoria, hung a drawing of her over his bed at Buckingham Palace. Queen Victoria took it down.

Crown Prince Rudolph of Austria, who died in mysterious circumstances with his mistress at Mayerling in 1889, gave her a magnificent emerald ring.

Every ambitious hostess who wanted to attract the Prince of Wales to her home, invited Mrs Langtry to make sure that he would come, writes Mr Dudley.

When Mrs Langtry went on the stage, the crowds thronged to see her. In the United States, she drew more dollars than Sarah Bernhardt, though when one talked about acting, the two women could not be mentioned in the same breath.

Her leading actors bolstered her up—Maurice Barrymore (father of John, Ethel and Lionel Barrymore), Charles Coghlan and Matheson Lang. Sheriff Roy Bean, like many hundreds of other men, fell in love with her photograph and named a Texas whistle-stop after her.

Rich young men showered money and gifts upon her—jewellery, clothes, a ranch, horses, a yacht—and anything else she wanted.—China Mail Special.

### COULDN'T ACT

Alexandra, Princess of Wales, one of the loveliest women who has ever sat on the throne of England, was kind to her and gave her an autographed portrait.

## Fiesta Mexicana from Oulde Irelande—By VERONICA PAPWORTH

THINK of gay colours and hot sunshine and you will know what happened to the famous British designer, DIGBY MORTON, when, in New York, he saw a poster saying—"Fly to

Mexico." He did just this, and his newest collection of moderately priced separates for REIDAN all bear the marks of Mexico.

You don't have to speak the language to like these clothes, but it helps if you understand some Mexican words. The zarape is a lightweight handwoven wool rug which is always carried on the left shoulder and folded. This has possibilities as a wrap or bench rug, says Mr Morton.

Another little scarf idea—and a useful one for spring—is the quechquemitl. This is usually of handwoven wool, and is made from two straight scarves joined together so that it can be worn in many ways.

Gaucho pants, cleverly cut for comfort while retaining a draping line, will be loved by the young and slim. Incidentally, they look particularly elegant in 100 per cent firm, grey worsted.

Another idea to follow is a beautifully cut worsted sports skirt with two useful pockets which can be interchanged with matching short pants. Skirt and blouse give you a town outfit.

Finally, an everyday outfit for the girl who always wants to look her best. Mr Morton has

captured all the spirit of the new season in a slim skirt and a short button-through top made in a most attractive red tweed with beige and white overcheck. Simple, smart and possessing all the latest Empire feeling, it could be gaily teamed with red accessories or elegantly understated with beige accessories.

★ ★ ★

Lancashire, Scotland and Ireland have had a hand in the fabrics Mexico has provided the colour, design and influence. The whole effect is inspired by the Irish-born couturier who was the instigator of the trend for bulky knits when he launched them three years ago. His latest designs, manufactured by a well-known London house, may be the beginning of a new trend which will send everyone gaily dancing "Down Mexico Way".

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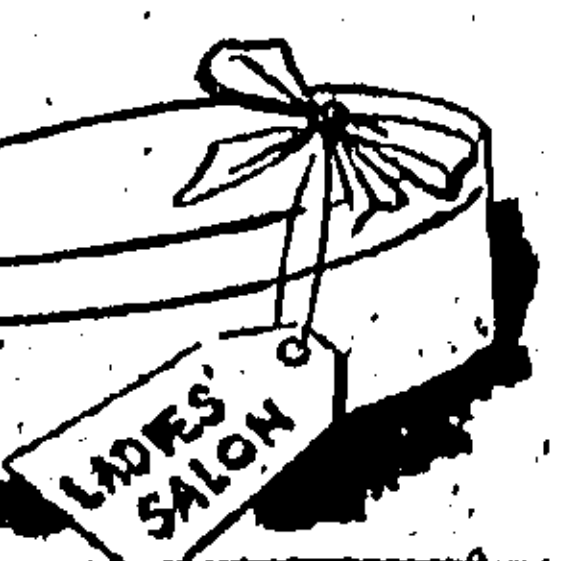
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### SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"The man daddy is bringing home to dinner is a child psychologist, so I'm going to put you kids to bed a little early tonight!"







## Queensland 57 For Two Against MCC

Brisbane, Dec. 1. Queensland, 30 for one on Saturday, were 57 for two at lunch after a morning-long grim battle against deadly accurate bowling by the MCC, who made 151 in their first innings.

One commentator described the rate of scoring as probably the slowest in first-class cricket history, with only 27 runs produced in 122 minutes. Ken Mackay was the only batsman dismissed this morning when Statham uprooted his leg stump. His 10 took over 120 minutes.

J. Mortimore, the Gloucestershire slow bowler, was used to reinforce the MCC, made an impressive debut with the ball, but only five runs scored off him in seven overs, five of

which were maidens — three in succession. Statham, who has taken both wickets to fall so far, has given away 20 runs. He and Mortimore pegged down the unenterprising batsmen for long periods this morning.

### Lunch Scoreboard

MCC First Innings—151

QUEENSLAND

First Innings

R. Reynolds, not out . . . 28

W. Croft, c Milton b . . . 12

K. Mackay b Statham . . . 18

P. Burge, not out . . . 0

Extras . . . 1

Total for two wickets . . . 57

Fall of wickets: 1/19, 2/57.

Bowling To Date

Statham . . . 2/20

Tyson . . . 0/22

Balby . . . 0/18

Laker . . . 0/1

Mortimore . . . 0/5

—Reuter.

# KMB . . . 6, Gift Goals In Abundance

## Bill Casper Wins Havana Golf Tourney

Havana, Nov. 30. Bill Casper of Apple Valley, California, won the Havana International golf tournament today with a 72-hole total of 278.

Casper, who took the lead in the opening round and never relinquished it, turned in a 72 in the final round to edge out Bob Winger of Odessa, Texas, by one stroke. Winger also had a 72 today for a 279 total.

Casper's decisive shot was made on the fourth hole when he drove to within six feet of the green and wound up with a birdie.

Doug Sanders of Miami, Florida, finished third with a 281, one stroke ahead of Tony Lema of San Leandro, California.—U.P.I.

## Tempers And Rough Tactics Galore As Hockey League Leaders Ousted

By TONY MYATT

Tempers flared as players resorted to uncalled for rough tactics and the referees chipped in with some 'queer' decisions when Macaensis 'A' ousted Nav Bharat 'A' from the top of the yesterday senior division hockey league table with a well-deserved 2-1 victory.

The game was played at Sookunpoo and I was never more relieved than to hear that final whistle blow and put an end to a game which might very well have turned into a free-for-all. One thing I am certain of . . . there must be quite a few players rubbing down the sore spots.

### In Great Style

The game started off in great style with both teams playing good fast-passing hockey. It was a pity it couldn't last that way.

It was quite evident from the start that the Portuguese team were the much faster XI and some dazzling moves and inter-changing play by their forwards had the Nav Bharat defence pegged down from all angles.

After only about 10 minutes of the first half, Macaensis' outside-right Capitula scored the Portuguese team's first goal when he cracked home the ball from an almost impossible angle.

From this point onwards the game took on an extremely tense atmosphere as the ball rolled idly around as players charged at each other and sticks clashed with great frequency. Like, they say, it takes two to tango . . . it also takes two to form an argument . . .

### Hopeless

From this stage the situation became hopeless and a decision which gave Nav Bharat their lone goal did not improve matters any.

This was what happened. From a short corner, against the Macaensis, Nav Bharat's Ebrahim cracked the ball goalwards . . . the ball hit the foot of one of the defenders and immediately the referee blew his whistle. I am sure most of the spectators thought he was blowing for 'foul'. As it was, however, the ball rose over the heads of the defenders and entered the goal . . . the referee pointed to the centre spot. Incidentally the ball entered the goal after the referee blew his whistle.

The issue certainly caused a storm of protest in the Portuguese camp.

This goal did not alter the final verdict because prior to this incident Macaensis had already registered their second goal when centre-forward Ribas evaded the rush of opposing goalie Soares and slipped the ball home.

## Kitchee . . . 2

## KITCHEE PRESENT BUSMEN WITH FOUR IN THE FIRST HALF

By I. M. MACTAVISH

From delight to dejection in three terrible minutes. That is the doleful story of this latest Kitchee debacle.

Two shocking goalkeeping errors by Kwok Chow-ming in the 20th and 23rd minutes touched off the fuse that finally blew Kitchee's hopes skyhigh and sent the Busmen jogging along Easy Street on the way to an overwhelming 6-2 victory.

What is the mystery of the malady that seems to haunt Kitchee season after season? Big names turn to big flops as soon as they don the famous blue and white shirts . . . then as quickly they regain their star form when they move on to another club.

The team is unattractive and lifeless. The 1958 line-up share this trait with those of recent seasons . . . only this time it is so impoverished in defensive talent that it is Kitchee's only in the name it carries.

Yesterday at Boundary Street they started off with a bang and before the Busmen had time to get out of bottom gear Szeto Sum finished off a brilliant forward line movement by driving the ball into the back of the net. Szeto Man did the planning and plotting that gave Szeto Sum his chance to beat Wai Fat-kim.

ends up. KMB were stunned. The speed of the movement left them flat footed and the eagerly crowd sat back in eager anticipation of a major upset.

### A False Impression

For a time Kitchee managed to keep the ball in attack and as a result gave what was almost a false impression to the balance of the game.

While the forwards had the ball they were able to pin the KMB defenders in their own territory and in fact with a little more steadiness, might have added to their early score . . . but KMB are not in their present exalted position for nothing.

Wily Lau Chi-lam spotted the Kitchee shortcomings and cleverly took up a linking role between his hard pressed defence and his own front line.

Slowly but surely a subtle change started to come over the game. More and more the ball was finding its way into the Kitchee rear lines . . . and the glaring weaknesses there, were quickly brought into stark relief. Positional errors and misclashes began to make their appearance and it seemed only a matter of time before the Busmen got their equaliser.

Lau Chi-lam was always in evidence and several times he carried the ball from midfield to within shooting range and it was only his elevation that was at fault on several occasions. The Kitchee forwards made a couple of swift attacks on the KMB goal and at the other end Kwok Chow-ming made a courageous flying tackle under Lau Chi-lam's feet to prevent the chance that the Kitchee front rank might snatch another goal and the crowd was enjoying the struggle.

### Fateful 3 Minutes

Then came those fateful three minutes . . . minutes of Kitchee tragedy: minutes and mistakes that changed the whole pattern of the game.

Toledo gave away a thoughtless and quite unnecessary free kick just outside the penalty area. Lau Chi-lam was shaped up as though he was going to try one of his blockbusters but cleverly deceived the waiting Kitchee defence by chopping the ball out to the left wing where Chan Chi-kong had quietly slipped into position.

The little, wing-half sighted the ball tentatively goalwards towards a waiting mass of players. Kwok Chow-ming saw the ball all the way but instead of clutching it, or even punching it away, he apparently decided to treat the crowd to one of his super-spectacular displays. He rose high in the air and somehow tried a volleyball back flick which was intended to send the ball over the cross bar. Oh . . . it looked graceful alright; the only snag was that the ball hit the crossbar instead of going over the top. It dropped among the scrambling mass and Lau Chi-lam bundled it into the net for the equaliser.

### Worse To Follow

Worse was to follow for Kitchee . . . and Kwok Chow-ming. Three minutes later KMB attacked on the right. There seemed no danger when a loose shot was sent towards the goal . . . but the Kitchee faithful reckoned without the

revival of Kitchee hopes and for a few minutes the KMB defence looked a bit wobbly . . . but class, as always, told in the end.

Steadily the Busmen reasserted their control and in the 75th minute they squashed the flickering flame of Kitchee's hope with a grand goal. The work started on the right and when the ball was clipped into the middle Chan Chi-kong was right on the spot to send a sizzling shot into the corner of the net. Not to be outdone Lam Kam-tong hammered the final nail in the Kitchee coffin in the 83rd minute when he ran on to a brilliant through pass and left Kwok Chow-ming helpless for the sixth time.

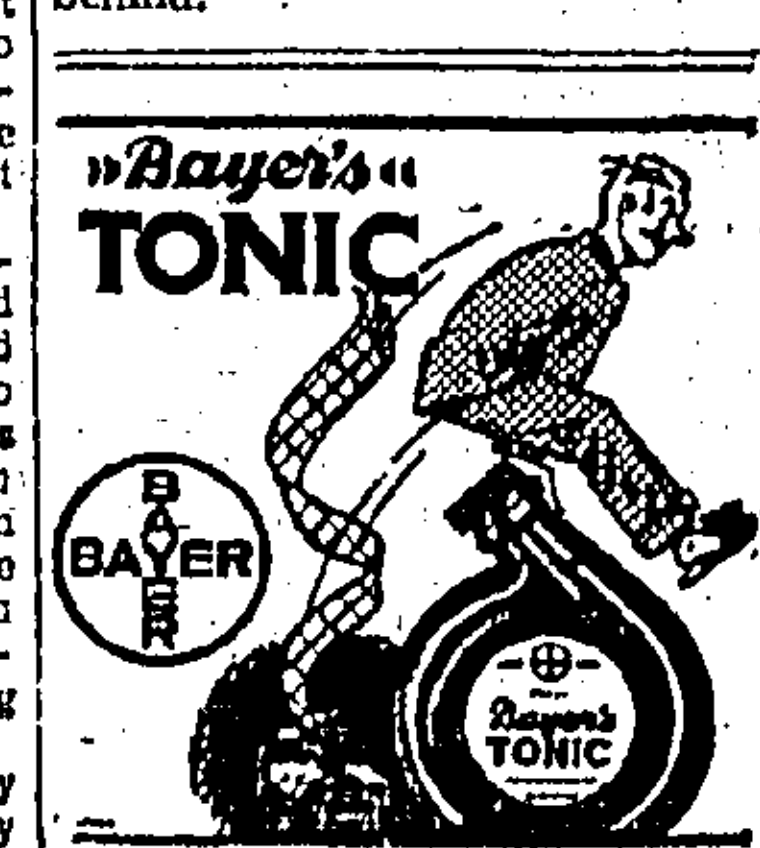
The Busmen were once again a well-knit team and utility man Ng Tim-loy in spite of some unjustified crowd hostility did well enough at right half to make Lau Chi-lam's absence almost unimportant.

### Strange Mixture

Wai Fat-kim was a strange mixture of competence and carelessness but from rightback to outside left there was not another weakness in the KMB side and they thoroughly deserved their big win. Chan Chi-kong is nowadays concentrating on playing the ball and as a result he is a 100 per cent better player than he was in his less restrained days with South China and Kitchee.

What can one say about this lopsided but guileless Kitchee side? Quite honestly their only real merit yesterday was that they played hard and kept it clear. Szeto Man, now painfully short of a vital yard of speed, and Kwok You worked hard enough and there were times when under their coaching the forward line suggested that they might do something worthwhile . . . but any fighting spirit they had was killed by the shocking show put on by the men behind them.

It must have been galling indeed for them to watch goals being handed to the opposition on a plate . . . no forward line can ever hope to function well with such a multiplicity of individual collective weakness, behind.



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## STOP PRESS!

## QUEENSLAND 103 FOR 4

Brisbane, Dec. 1. Queensland were 103 for four at tea adding 46 runs in 120 minutes to their lunch total for the loss of the wickets of Reynolds and Peter Burge.

The MCC's hopes for the first test beginning on Friday suffered a blow when Raman Subba Row fractured his wrist bone in attempting to stop a bumper.

He is expected to be out of the game for a month. After lunch Reynolds was caught by Sweetman off Tyson at 75 and Peter Burge went at 88, bowled by Balby.

At the adjournment Ron Archer was not out 19 and McLaughlin 2 not out.—Reuter.

## MCC Players Relax At —Surf Bathing Resort

Brisbane, Nov. 30. The MCC players relaxed today at a surf bathing resort some 50 miles from here today, but like everybody else, kept well within the prescribed safety zone for bathing.

On view were the bodies of two sharks caught during the past two days, one of which is believed to have mauled a man. The tourists have decided that in the event of any cash prizes being won by members of the team, 50 per cent of the win will be placed in a special fund to be divided among all the players at the end of the tour.

Peter May has accordingly paid £250 sterling into the fund from the £500 sterling he won recently in the match against an Australian XI at Sydney.

The other half of any prize won can be utilised as the winner wishes.

### Son For Milton

Arthur Milton learned today that his wife in England had given birth to a son.

Freddie Trueman, Peter Leader and Tom Graveney, all of whom have been suffering from minor injuries, were reported better today and are hoping to have a net practice tomorrow.

A total of 136,304 people paid for admission at MCC's first four matches—two at Perth and one at Adelaide and Melbourne. A further 38,578 members and friends were admitted free.—China Mail Special.

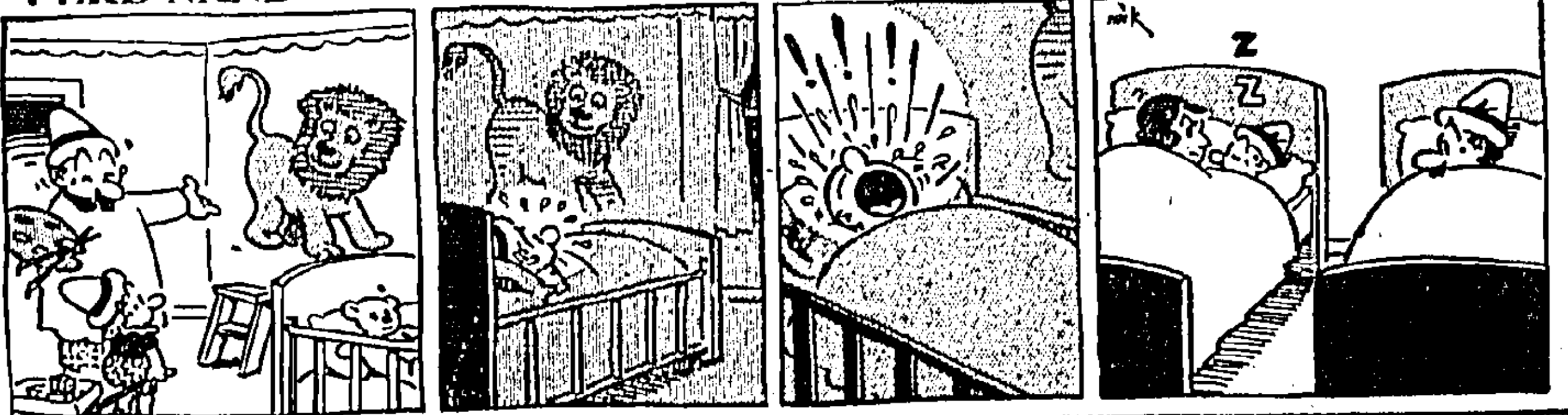
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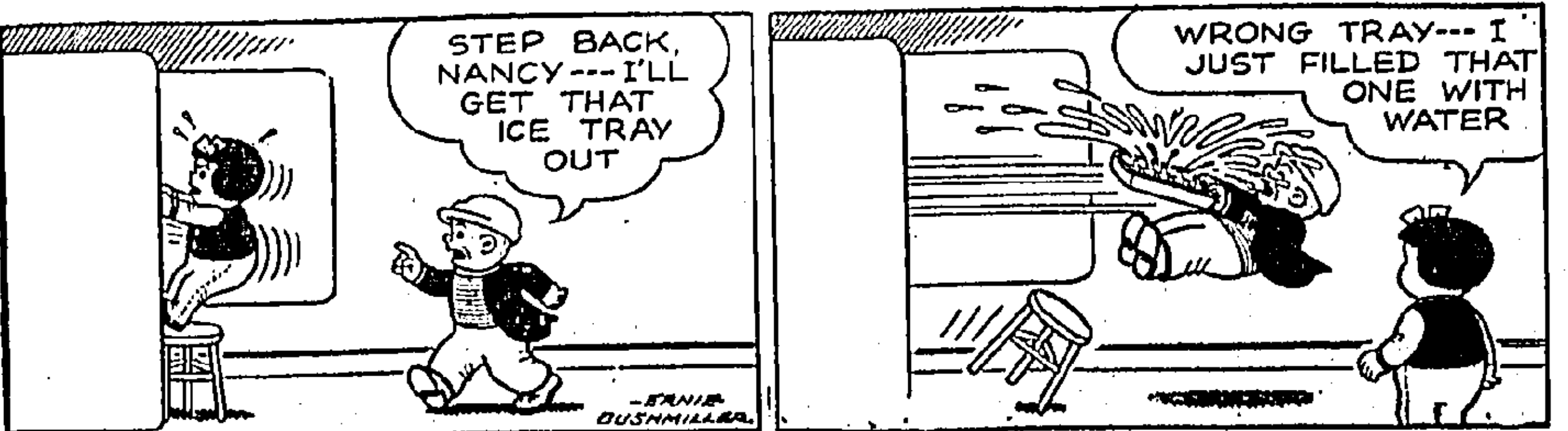
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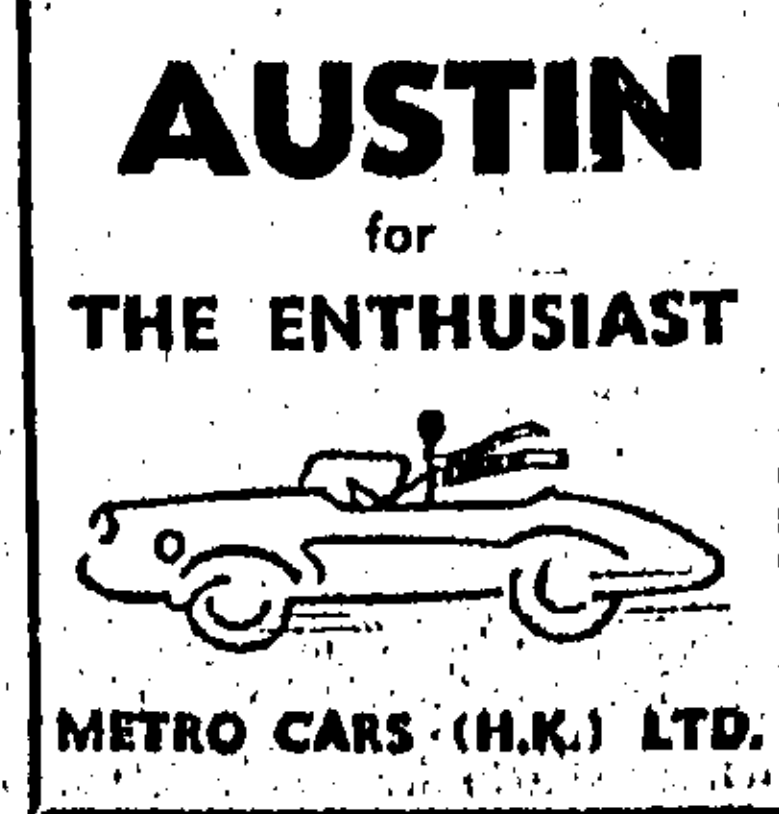
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SCIENCE AND  
ENGINEERINGLatest Radar Training  
System

The world's latest radar simulator system was demonstrated at the works of Selenon Electronic Group, Ltd., in Hants. Fully realistic training and exercise can be performed without stations, or interfering with civil air routes.

An important thing is that the system is built on the brick principle, and can thus be adapted and changed as the knowledge and scope for radar grows. The system will never be out-dated.—Central Press Photo.

Strange Claims Made  
For New  
Motor Car Oil

By WILLIAM SMYLY

**TWENTY-FIVE** kilometres around Kowloon with no oil in the sump... and at the end of the journey the engine sounded as good as new.

That was the ordeal to which André Pfaff subjected his MGA sports car in an observed run on Friday evening. He was accompanied on the run by Mr. V. F. Williams, chairman of the Hongkong Motor Club when the club officially tested strange claims made for a new lubrication additive which has reached Hongkong.

## POLAR ATTRACTION

The additive is explained as an oil with a polar attraction for metal due to some change in one of the elements of the hydrocarbon molecule. This attraction is said to cause the oil to cling to metal when other oil without the polar attraction would be wiped or drip away. It is used as an additive because the polar attracted molecules are said to find their way to all metal parts and coat them, leaving surplus oil to circulate in the usual way, hence the ability of André Pfaff's MGA to run 25 kilometres on a hot afternoon with an empty sump.

The product is one of a number of new wonder products manufactured in the United States by a secret formula. It has been available in the United States for some time, but export to Hongkong was restricted as it was regarded as an embargo product which could not be allowed to cross the border in bulk into mainland China.

However for new cars, or for old cars in good repair, this oil may prove to be another money-saver.

SWEDISH PIPELINE  
MADE OF PLASTIC

**A PIPELINE** in plastics for the discharge of acid-containing waste water and believed to be the biggest of its kind in Europe has just been put into operation at the new cellulose plant at Monstera, South Sweden, owned by the Swedish Forest Owners' Association.

The pipes for this installation, which is about one mile long, were manufactured by the Swedish Hoganas-Biljesholm Company by means of machinery having a capacity of about 40 m per day, specially designed and built by the company's own engineers.

OIL RESISTANT  
RUBBER SOLES

**A NEW** oil-resistant synthetic rubber is being used to make soles for work shoes that are subjected to oil and abrasive service. They are particularly suitable for use on steel decks.

In tests the soles have been worn for more than 20 weeks under industrial conditions that caused previously available oil-resistant shoe soles to wear out in three to four weeks.

Weekly Survey Of The American Economy  
U.S. RECOVERY IN SPASMSSudden Drop On Exchange  
Didn't Worry Businessmen

New York, Nov. 30.

The sudden and sharp drop in the stock market this week does not worry the great body of conservative U.S. businessmen, who had expected just such an adjustment and discounted any pessimism on the overall business picture.

Re-appraisal by experts, who noted that the market yesterday regained some four billion in valuation, or one-third the loss in the three preceding sessions, showed that the selling which touched off the decline was by individuals, not the investors.

Some segments of the business community were worried about the slowing pace of the recovery from the recession. But economists say that this is the normal way for the recovery to come. There will be spurts, then a plateau, then another spurt as the economy steadily climbs to its normal volume.

## Far Above

Business in September and October was far above the expectation, and there were optimistic forecasts of record consumption, sales and profits to come. Then late in October and in November, came a slowing of the recovery pace. Now autos didn't make the sales splash which had been expected, largely because strikes had curbed production and the dealers didn't have the cars to sell. Sales of durable goods did not take the expected leap.

However, the conservative economists still believe there will be record or near-record activity in 1959 in most fields. They believe that the upward pace will be quickened, perhaps ending the current plateau, as the American people swing into the Christmas shopping season. Record dollar volume is expected here, although the real value may be less than in 1957 because higher prices will contribute to the higher dollar volume.

With this push, and with auto production in high gear, sending the popular 1959 models to dealers in increasing numbers, the overall economy should get a new boost upward.

Another good sign is the steadiness in the cost of living nationally. It held steady in October at 123.7 per cent of the 1947-49 average. Thus the fear of inflation receded somewhat, adding more fuel to the growing feeling of confidence. With added confidence business is once again spending money, making jobs and making activity.

## Snapping Out

"Business is finally snapping out of its negative frame of mind," said Iron Age magazine, noting the new orders for steel are coming from a broad cross-section of economy, not just from the auto builders.

The industrial output index of the Federal Reserve Board showed 137 in September 1958 in October, but indicated it would be 142 in November and as much as 145 in December.

Inventory cutting, which was one of the major factors in the recession, has all but stopped. Instead, a backlog of orders and applications or government-backed mortgages in excess of new veterans administration. Federal housing administration starts, should maintain through the spring of 1959. Mortgage money is not quite as easy now as a year ago, but the new Congress probably will loosen the strings again, and there will be no shortage of mortgage money.

## Backlog

Another backlog is in capital goods, which had been expected to be perhaps the last sector of business to get back to old highs. It had been thought that most firms had all the factory facilities needed. But more and more industries are announcing expansion plans, and even more plants are planning modernization, which means new machinery rather than new brick and mortar.

Business utilization of plant stood at 88 per cent last spring, and the revised estimates of 1959 demand indicate that output next spring will, in more and more industries, be pressing hard upon capacity. The utilization may reach 95 per cent, which means that capital spending will be far higher than forecast just a few weeks ago. Most experts now agree that the recession fed upon itself as a result of falling profit, rather than as an excess capacity problem.

Now we shall see the other side of the coin. The boom should feed upon itself as investment grows. Investment will create jobs and will generate even more confidence in the basic economy. And with more job holders, and greater confidence, the rate of consumer spending is bound to rise, adding to the boom.

Another factor also seems to be making itself felt—a better export market for U.S. goods. It will come slowly, but it will come surely, since the free world's dollar buying power is rising. The increase in exports probably will be delayed until economic activity abroad picks generally.

## Seems Ready

But that rise seems ready to occur, and the other nations now have the needed buying power. In early 1957 U.S. exports were at \$200 billion per year and foreign nations lost one billion of official gold and dollar



"Confidentially, a sharp rise is in the air at any moment."

reserves to the U.S. Since then rate of U.S. shipments abroad has fallen to \$16 billion, while at the same time U.S. imports from the rest of the world held steady and U.S. investment and government aid dipped only slightly. Thus for the whole of 1958 foreign countries may have increased their liquid reserves by more than three billion, of which one billion is newly-mined gold and perhaps 2.5 billion in gold and dollars gained from the U.S.

All of this will be available for use toward purchase of U.S. goods to be shipped abroad. By the end of 1959, U.S. exports could be as much as \$16 billion.

The rise in reserves has been heaviest in the United Kingdom. But market increase also was shown by Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands, Germany, Switzerland and Japan. Since European economies are in a full now, the American exports to Europe won't pick up until the European economies themselves get back toward high ground. But such an improvement seems to come, as it has already in Canada.

Inflation remains in the picture, but is being more and more discounted as a real threat. The fact that prices have held steady for many weeks now has given great confidence to the anti-inflation forces, since it indicates that there is slight chance of the "runaway" inflation which is so dangerous. In this instance, the

"plateau" of business in the past few weeks actually has been a boon, since it checked undue optimism and emphasized the healthy basis of the overall improvements.

## Employment

Employment is not as it should be. In October some 3 1/2 million non-farm workers were on short hours—that is, less than the standard 40 hours per week. It averaged 34 hours for them. And another 2.1 million jobs were not working at all—they had been sent home by the factories. Investment will create jobs and will generate even more confidence in the basic economy. And with more job holders, and greater confidence, the rate of consumer spending is bound to rise, adding to the boom.

Construction will be a solid bolstering factor in the 1959 business picture. Government estimates say that \$2.3 billion will be spent, seven per cent more than in 1958. Of this, \$1.5 billion will be in new housing. If so, the new houses will need new refrigerators, new furnaces, and all the other durable goods which make up a home.

And, always in the background, is the solid business of defense: spending Russian tactics at Geneva and in the United Nations indicate no easing of pressures, either in the cold war or in the economic war. Private sources believe the cost to America, in Government spending, will be many billions over current estimates. If so it is a solid floor to prosperity, but also an invitation to inflation which can be conquered only by increased productivity—and that seems to be the way with the increased capital spending. —U.P.I.

HONGKONG  
STOCK  
EXCHANGE

Our Own Correspondent  
Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$302,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions were:

Shares	Buyers	Sellers	Prices
HK Bank	720	800	10 7/8 to 11 1/8
HSBC	20	30	20 1/2 to 21
Ind. Bank	10	20	10 1/2 to 11
Insurance	71 1/2	73	71 1/2 to 72
Shipping	5 1/2	6	5 1/2 to 6
Wheat	42	43	42 to 43
Yankee	12 1/2	13	12 1/2 to 13
Land	21 1/2	22 1/2	21 1/2 to 22 1/2
HK Land	30	30 1/2	30 to 30 1/2
Humphreys	14 1/2	15 1/2	14 1/2 to 15 1/2
RUBBER	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2 to 1 1/2
Amalgamated	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2 to 1 1/2
A. Tawah	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2 to 2 1/2
Singapore	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2 to 2 1/2
Tram	25 1/2	26 1/2	25 1/2 to 26 1/2
Star Ferry	102	103	102 to 103
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**SHEAFFER'S**  
STERLING SILVER TIP

## New Schools Open: 4,000 For Classes

Two newly-built Government primary schools, one on each side of the harbour, opened their doors this morning.

More than 2,000 pupils ranging in ages from six to 13, and accompanied by parents or guardians reported for classes in both schools this morning for the a.m. session.

A further 2,000 pupils are expected to report this afternoon for the p.m. session.

The schools are the Jordan Road School, located in Battery Road, off Jordan Road, and the Shaukiwan School.

Each school has 24 classrooms, a domestic science room and a wood-working room. There are also classes equipped for adult education.

Each session will accommodate 1,000 pupils.

All classes have been filled. Four classes in primary two of the Jordan Road School have been reserved for pupils from Tai Hang Tung.

Classes will commence tomorrow morning.

## Death After Fall Down Tram Stairs

A 60-year-old man who fell down the stairs of a tram car in Des Voeux Road near Ice House Street on Saturday, died before his arrival at Queen Mary Hospital. He was Chan Sze-kun of No. 13 Sugar Street, second floor.

## U.S. Congressmen In Colony

Two American Congressmen, Mr. T. A. MacDonnell and Mr. Walter Rogers arrived in Hongkong this morning on a two-day visit. They were accompanied by Mr. N. Cunningham.

The two Congressmen are members of the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee and Mr. Cunningham is a staff member. The party flew in from Bangkok this morning after visiting Australia and Singapore. They will be visiting Tokyo after a two-day stay in the Colony.

## 'MASSIVE LITIGATION' CONTINUES

The several wives and sons of the late Mr Ng Chi-kuen were parties in an appeal before the Full Court this morning. The action was part of what Mr Brook Bernacchi called "massive litigation" over Ng's estate and will which began before the war after his death.

Mr Bernacchi (instructed by Mr P. C. Woo) appeared for the appellants the second wife, Ng Tai Chai-chen and Ng Chau-ming the son of the dead third wife, who were the plaintiffs in actions over property at 108 Des Voeux Road Central.

Mr Patrick Yu (instructed by Mr S. Ng Quinn) represented the respondents, the first wife, Ng Li Lum-ying, and a firm belonging to the late Mr Ng called the Tien Sau Tong, who were the defendants in some of the previous actions.

The Full Court comprised the Chief Justice, Sir Michael Hogan, Mr Justice J. R. Gregg and Mr Justice A. D. Scholes. The appeal was against a decision by Mr Justice C. W. Rees that he had no jurisdiction to entertain certain summonses taken out by Mr Bernacchi's clients under liberties to apply made in several consent orders regarding the property.

Mr Bernacchi told the story of how the late Mr Ng left No. 108 Des Voeux Road Central to his three wives with the first wife as executrix of his whole estate. The late Mr Ng was also the sole proprietor of Tien Sau Tong who were the occupiers of 108 Des Voeux Road Central.

Each wife was entitled to one-third share of the building but Mr Bernacchi alleged that the first wife was delaying the sharing out of this property. Counsel went on to deal with some of the previous actions between the wives. He said that in Action 174 of 1953 the defend-

ant first wife was ordered among other things to assign one-third of the property to the second wife and to pay her one-third of the rents and profits of this property every month and in advance starting from July 1954.

### The Next

"Owing to subsequent events this one-third share of the rents and profits stands unpaid to this day," Mr Bernacchi said.

The next action was No. 414 in which the first wife was sued by the son of the dead third wife and the first wife was ordered to assign one-third share of the property to the deceased Ng Ho Chai-yuen forthwith and to pay one-third of the rents and profits of the property to the person representing her estate.

At that time the assignment could not be made because the son had not yet obtained administration of his mother's estate, but the share of the rents and profits were ordered to be paid monthly and in advance as from January 1, 1954 to Messrs P. C. Woo and Co. until a representative was appointed, Mr Bernacchi said.

He went on: "Unfortunately that did not put an end to the differences between the parties and we come to action No. 138 of 1955."

### Sued

Shortly before that action started, said Mr Bernacchi, the first wife advertised that she proposed to transfer the business of the Tien Sau Tong firm from the estate of Mr Ng to her son, Ng Chow-kuen. In action 188 the first wife and Tien Sau Tong were sued by the second wife and the son of the third wife. In the next action No. 189 the same two plaintiffs sued the first wife, Tien Sau Tong and the first wife's son. By this time the third wife's son, Ng Chow-ming had obtained administration of his mother's estate.

Mr Bernacchi mentioned another action, No. 205 in which the son of the third wife sued the first wife and the firm. He said that eventually orders of consent were made in all the actions.

Referring to the consent orders made on November 9, 1956 Mr Bernacchi said that upon giving an undertaking that there had been no profits from the property other than an obligation of Tien Sau Tong to pay rent, it was agreed that the rents and profits would mean standard rent plus all permitted increases. There was no dispute over the permitted increases, but there was concerning the standard rent. The first wife and her side contended that the books of the firm in December, 1951 showed a rent of \$300 a month and the other side contended that the true standard rent of the property was \$490 a month. It was also agreed that all outstanding rents and profits would be paid within one month from November, 1956.

### Not Paid

"But the net result is that they still have not been paid," Mr Bernacchi said. He said that a further consent order was that the architects Messrs Chau and Lee, be approached to assess the value of No. 108 Des Voeux Road Central, taking into consideration the tenancy of Tien Sau Tong and that the first wife her son and Tien Sau Tong jointly buy over the two-thirds share of the second wife and the son of the third wife at the assessed value within six months of the assessment. All outstanding courses of action were waived to end the dispute and there were also the usual words, "liberty to apply," said Counsel.

Then, things did not work out too well after that, Mr Bernacchi said. He claimed "We are saying that in fact the defendants' attitude is complete non-cooperation and they are endeavouring to avoid any finalisation of the matters which would result, apart from anything else, in them having to pay a fairly substantial sum in rent and profits from 1954." The appeal is proceeding.

## Sergeant Loses His Stripes: Cruelty To Kitten



Who was that hiding behind the sun-glasses?

The above picture was published in Saturday's China Mail of the opening of the annual bazaar of the Diocesan Girls' School.

Standing next to Mrs E. C. Fincher was a lady in sun glasses who was not identified.

The picture below shows her as most people in Hongkong know her.

She is Win Min Than, the Burmese screen star, who won fame for her part in the film 'The Purple Plain' with Gregory Peck.

Win Min Than is on a short visit to Hongkong.



## \$700 For Blind Woman

A blind and deaf woman living in a bedspace under a staircase received \$700 compensation for the loss of her "home" in the Tenancy Tribunal this morning.

The woman received the amount, \$300 more than the usual compensation, on special hardship grounds. Lew Fai-ting is seeking to replace a 60-year-old tenement house at Nos. 248-350 Queen's Road West with a six-storey building cost \$120,000.

The Tribunal consists of Mr H. H. B. How (President), Mr Lo Min-pung and Mr Wong Sik-chung. The case is continuing.

## DEPOSIT!

Doncaster. A car salesman Ted Johnson smiled happily when a customer agreed to pay £425 for a three-year-old car.

But then he got a shock—the customer offered as deposit a horse, cart and a few pigs. "I was surprised—but allowed £50 for the horse and cart. 'I couldn't take the pigs, however. They smell too much.' Johnson wasn't stuck with the horse and cart for long—he sold them for £55—a profit of £5—U.P.I.

## INDONESIAN STOWAWAY TO BE EXPELLED

A 19-year-old Indonesian, Juane Richard Tambajone, was fined \$200 or 25 days' gaol by Mr. Ma-shing Lo at Central Magistracy this morning for stowing away and illegal entry into the Colony.

Sub-Inspector A. Bennett of the Immigration Office said that defendant reported to the Indonesian Consulate here on November 29 and was subsequently brought to the Immigration Office, where he admitted the offences.

Defendant, a native of Djakarta, had stowed away on board the ship 'Tjwang' and entered Hongkong illegally. It was added.

The Prosecuting Officer then asked the Court for an expulsion order to be issued against the defendant. This was granted.

## Whose Money?

London. POLICE at Wimbledon are trying to trace the owner of £500 found tucked away in an old roll of linoleum.

The money, in £5 and £1 notes, was discovered by the porter of a block of flats in Victoria Drive, Wimbledon, S. W.

Macao, Nov. 30. For the second time in three years, M. Raoul Folleau, the well-known French philanthropist, is a visitor to Macao. He arrived today.

Known as the 'Charitable Vagabond', M. Folleau this morning visited the Ka-lie Leprosarium, at Colowah Island, accompanied by the Director of the Health Depart-

Sergeant E. G. Freeman of the Army Catering Corps was this morning found guilty by a District Court Martial held at Shamshuipo and was sentenced to be reduced to the ranks for disgraceful conduct of a cruel nature.

It was alleged that he threw steaming hot water at a kitten and later crushed it with his foot.

A witness, Lance Corporal D. Wilson of the Corps of Military Police said that on November 2 he was sitting in the unit dining hall drinking tea when he saw Freeman throw a number of ladies at a fire place near a hot plate.

### Steaming Hot

Freeman went out of the hall and returned two minutes later with a container of steaming hot water. He threw the hot water under the plate.

There were cries of pain and a kitten was flushed out from under the hot plate. Witness said Freeman then put one foot on the kitten's head and with the other foot, crushed it against the floor. He then told a Chinese orderly to clear up the remains.

Others corroborated Lance Corporal Wilson's story. Freeman pleaded not guilty.

### Food Scraps

Freeman said the kitten dropped down from the chimney and he threw the ladies to scold it away. He thought there might be food scraps under the hot plate and he got hot water to flush out the food.

At the time he did not know the kitten was under the plate. When the kitten came out from under the hot plate crying in pain he raked it towards him with his foot as a safety measure in case the kitten attacked him. He then killed the kitten, convinced that that was the best way to put it out of its misery.

### The Court

Both the findings and sentence are subject to confirmation.

Major A. G. Smith, RASC was the President of the Court Martial, and he was assisted by Capt. C. J. A. Jones, ACC and Captain T. A. H. Hudson, RAOC.

Prosecuting officer was Captain S. M. Roe, RFRM and Capt C. H. G. Jones REME defended.

## From the Files 25 years AGO

SUCCESSFULLY evading newspapersmen and film admirers in Europe, the Dutch East Indies and Manila, where he has been travelling strictly incognito since last May, Ronald Colman, one of the world's greatest film stars, was run to earth by Hongkong newspapermen yesterday. The famous star, visiting the Far East for the second time, arrived in the Colony from Manila yesterday by the Dollar liner President Jackson.

"Coming to the East I suppose, is a natural instinct with me," said Colman. "My mother was born in Singapore, and I have many relatives, especially in Shanghai, in this part of the world. I met many of my Shanghai relatives during my previous visit and I am anxious to see them again this trip. If possible I intend to remain over in Shanghai and catch a later boat to Seattle."

Showing at the King's theatre at the same time was Ronald Colman in 'The Masquerader'. He was starring with Elissa Landi.

### EVERY year the scintillating brilliance of a major social occasion in Hongkong and for a few hours, exiles from Home relive the amenities of 'the season.'

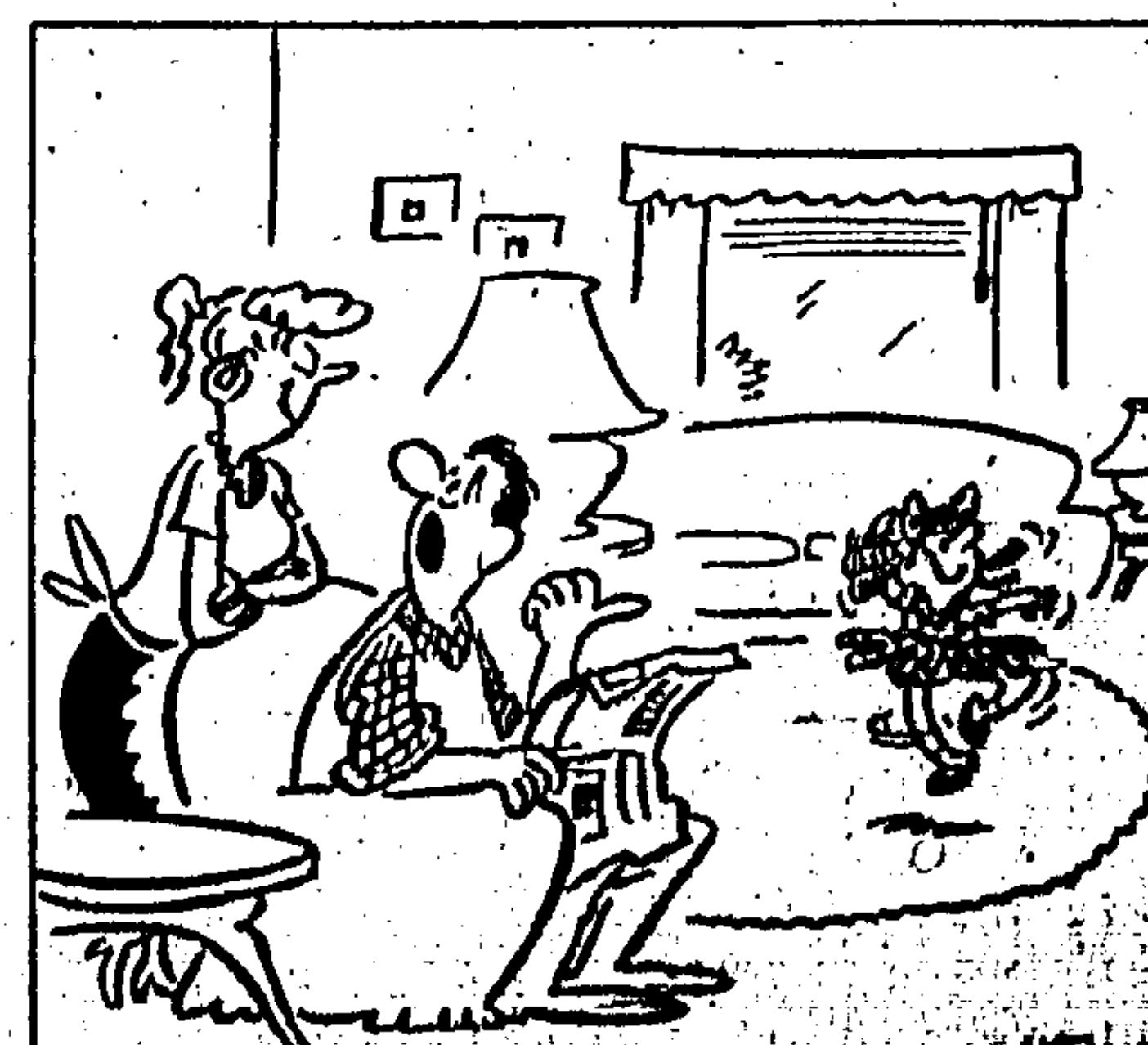
St Andrew's Day venerated by Scotsmen throughout the world has long been accepted in Hongkong as marking one of the greatest social events in the Colony—St Andrew's Ball. Last night's function at the Peninsula Hotel not only justified the claim but probably surpassed all previous occasions.

### Gored by a bullock at the abattoir at Kennedy Town

Wong Wo, 38 a butcher, died as a result of terrible injuries at the Government Civil Hospital. The animal was about to be slaughtered for a Mohammedan stall, which meant that it had to be dispatched with a knife instead of a poleaxe.

Three men had the animal down on its side but were unable to keep it down and when the bullock looked like getting the upper hand, two fled leaving Wong astride the head of the animal. It reared up, and badly gored Wong in the left side, his lung being punctured.

## This Funny World



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